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College gets 'very good news' from NCATE

Reaccreditation likely, Brown says

By ANGIE STEVENSON
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Fifteen of 18 standards were met in this week's evaluation of Missouri Southern's teacher education program.

A five-member board of examiners from the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) was on campus conducting interviews and verifying research. According to Dr. Robert Brown, vice

president for academic affairs, during yesterday's exit interview the board gave Southern what he thinks is "very good news."

"I would just be astonished if we got a denial," he said. "I won't say it's not possible. We don't know yet whether we passed—we won't know until sometime around April."

Dr. Edward Merryman, dean of the school of education and psychology, is hopeful the College's program will be reaffirmed, but he said the possibility of denial still lingers.

"You just can't know exactly what you're dealing with," he said. "Everything will depend now on a unit ac-

creditation board in Washington, D.C."

NCATE cited two main weaknesses among many strengths, according to Merryman.

"We passed everything that we have control over," he said. "And those are the important things like the curriculum, the students, the faculty, and the resources available."

The board not only found that the program met certain standards, but cited strengths in several areas, including knowledge base and campus-wide cooperation.

"Our knowledge base—what we teach our students—was marked as

a strength, and that is unusual nationally," Merryman said. "Twenty-eight percent [of colleges up for accreditation] have failed because of knowledge base, and we not only passed, but passed with strength. The analyst I talked to said he didn't know of anyone who's gotten that."

"This is a real applaudable thing that has happened to us."

The standards not met, Merryman said, were "things we don't have control over." Two standards, admission as well as faculty qualifications and assignments, were not met due to lack of cultural diversity.

"They were very careful to tell us

that there was no question of our students' and faculty's qualification. But we were not culturally diverse," Brown said. "We pointed out that at the time of the last evaluation, there was one female faculty member in the education program and now there are five, but that didn't seem to help. They want more blacks."

Merryman said Southern does not have enough black students and faculty to meet the standard.

"They (NCATE) feel nationally the emphasis should be placed on getting underrepresented minorities into teacher education," he said. "They feel if they can get them

trained as school teachers, they can go back to their homes and make better lives for their communities. "It's an honorable goal, but in southwest Missouri, it's just not too realistic."

Brown said Southern does all it can to actively recruit black faculty and students.

"It's largely beyond our control because of demographics," he said.

"Two percent of our student body are black, and that's reflective of our service area."

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Ashcroft to stump for 'B' here

Southern to make last-minute effort

By T.R. HANRAHAN
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

[Editor's note: This is the 10th in a series of stories about Proposition B, leading up to the Nov. 5 election.]

With five days remaining until the Nov. 5 special election, Missouri Gov. John Ashcroft will be on campus today to stump for Proposition B.

Ashcroft will address students and faculty about the \$385 million funding package for education at 12:30 p.m. in front of Reynolds Hall.

"The governor's office called us yesterday and told us the governor was traveling across the state to places where he might be helpful with regard to Proposition B," said College President Julio Leon. "We told him it definitely would help [Proposition B] to have him here."

Ashcroft will arrive in Joplin at 11 a.m. and speak at Webster Elementary School in Webb City before coming to Missouri Southern.

"It is my understanding that he will hold a short press conference there and then speak in favor of Proposition B," Leon said. "He will then come to our campus and do the same."

Leon said the governor requested a tour of a building that might be helped by Proposition B monies.

Proposition B

"He will be taken on a short tour of Reynolds Hall, because he wanted to see a building in need of equipment, renovation, or repair."

According to College officials, the bill's chances appear good.

"I understand they've done a poll in Kansas City and St. Louis," said Dr. John Tiede, senior vice president. "The information I got was that both of those were on the positive side with a lot of undecided, which could swing it either way."

"I think in the last couple of weeks, with all the positive signs, I am really optimistic."

Ashcroft is not alone in lending last-minute support to the Proposition B effort. Tiede said Southern also will be active through Tuesday's election.

"Friday evening, we're going to try to have students making calls to other students," Tiede said. "Monday evening we are again going to have students calling alumni and friends. We have also asked each student organization to help set up a telephone tree."

Drugs found near Mansion

By JOHN HACKER
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

A small wooden box apparently containing drugs and drug paraphernalia was found Sunday in front of the Mansion by a Missouri Southern student.

The box was discovered on a ledge beside the steps leading from the Mansion to the Biology Pond by a student who spoke with *The Chart* on the condition of anonymity.

"I was walking by the Mansion and saw this small wooden box," said

the senior management major. "It looked like something valuable, so I looked inside and saw the drugs and paraphernalia."

"I decided to just leave it and call security to take care of it."

Bill Boyer, chief of security, said illegal drugs are not a common occurrence at Southern.

"This is the first time since I've been here that we've had a report of illegal drugs," he said. "I'm sure they exist, but they've never been reported to security."

The box and its contents were sent

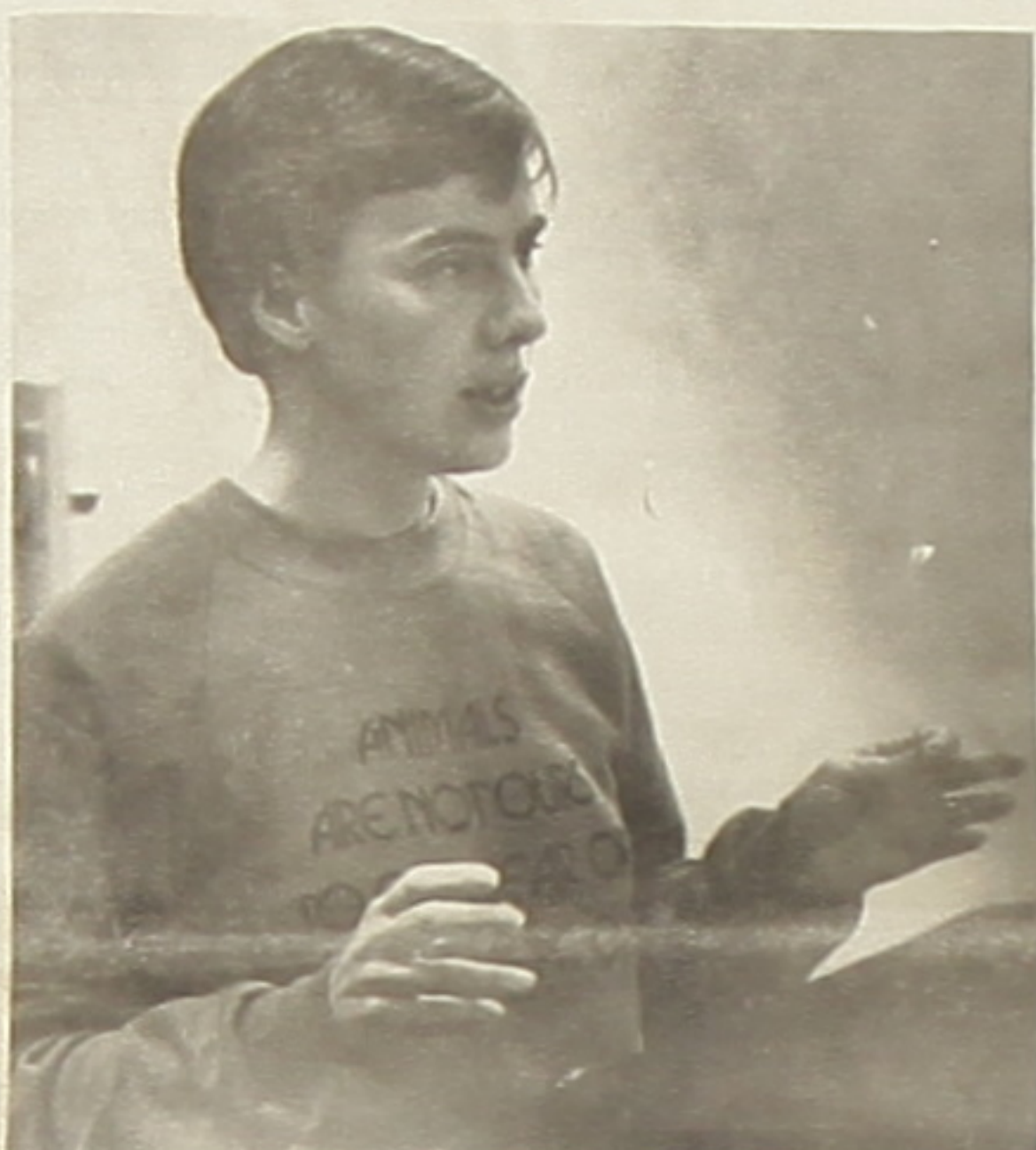
to the Regional Crime Laboratory for analysis.

"We have not analyzed it yet, but it looks like something related to marijuana," said Dr. Phillip Whittle, director of the crime lab. "That's just a cursory examination, but that's about it."

Also in the box were a number of items of drug paraphernalia.

In an unrelated grand theft, an Emerson TV-VHS player valued at \$469 was reported missing from the office in the Ecumenical Campus Ministry building.

ANIMAL FRIEND



CHAD HAYWORTH/The Chart

Jeart Blackwood, local leader of People for Animal Welfare, addresses the Philosophy Club meeting Tuesday. In her presentation, Blackwood spoke out against factory farming and vivisection.

Some students dislike mandatory \$10 RHA fee

By ANGIE STEVENSON
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

While most campus organizations do not require membership, there is one notable exception at Southern.

Residence hall students are required under contract to join the Residence Hall Association. Yearly dues of \$10 are assessed each student at the time of check-in.

But some students, including Zak Buttel, freshman general business major, do not believe they should be made to join RHA, much less pay money to the organization.

"I just feel it is not necessary," Buttel said. "I don't participate in the activities, and I don't feel I should have to pay. It should be optional."

Doug Carnahan, director of student life, said there is a reason for the membership requirement.

"We want everyone to feel they're part of RHA just because they live there—we want to give them a say," he said.

According to Deb Gipson, resident director, the matters of required membership and dues have been a concern for some students every year.

"Quite frankly, just from the logical side of things, if we only had the people give who wanted to give, we wouldn't be able to do a lot of the things we do. I can't imagine how bored everyone would be," she said.

Students who disagree, including Deborah Redman, freshman pre-dental major, say they have not heard of any meetings or activities.

"We don't do anything," Redman said. "We got a box of stuff [when we checked in]."

Another student, Melissa Kjar, freshman elementary education major, did not know what the \$10 fee was for.

"I just paid it," Kjar said. "Someone told me it was to get into football games."

Gipson said the way dues are col-

lected could be part of the problem.

"I think the reason it is such a hard concept is because we charge them separately," she said. "It's not mixed in with the fees like it is at some other schools. We do not get any part of the activity fees, so this is our only source of income."

She said the idea of incorporating the fee with dorm payments to make it seem less of a burden to students has been considered.

"If you tack on \$10 to \$1,170, it seems like nothing," Gipson said. "We have looked in into the feasibility of this; we may do it next year."

Carnahan sees this as a viable option.

"I think the reason we haven't done it yet is because the administration has made every effort to keep fees to a minimum for room and board," he said. "If it were added to fees, I'd like to see the amount increase so they can do more. Not just socially, but in the area of education."

In any case, Gipson maintains that \$10 is "a pretty nominal fee," saying RHA members "get a lot for their money."

She said there have been two RHA meetings this semester, and both were publicized well in advance. But students like Kjar and Redman said they never heard about them.

"I guess we're uninformed," Redman said.

This year, RHA won the float competition and placed in several other Homecoming activities to capture the sweepstakes award.

In addition to Homecoming, Gipson said the club provides movie nights, sponsors seminars (self-defense, for example), and holds cookouts and dances. RHA also is a major sponsor of CHEERS (Creatively Helping to Establish an Educated and Responsible Society).

"The funny part about all of this is that we do the finals food, which,

Group opposes funding for club

By KAYLEA HUTSON
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Debate over animal rights and the status of a campus organization dominated discussion at last night's meeting of the Student Senate.

A \$1,000 request by the Rodeo Club to conduct a rodeo school and seminar Saturday and Sunday at the Webb City Saddle Club Arena was debated, and \$750 subsequently was allocated to the club.

Funding for the club, however, had been opposed by a developing animal rights group. [See related story, page 6.]

Paul Hood, organizer of a campus animal rights group, said he hopes his group soon will become recognized by the Student Senate.

Hood spoke at the Senate meeting in opposition to the funding request and official recognition of the Rodeo Club.

After hearing from both sides, the Senate approved the \$750 allocation. The funding had been recommended by the finance committee.

A motion to have the Rodeo Club's status reviewed by the student court was defeated in a 15-13 vote of the Senate. The student court has met only twice in the past 13 years.

Hood said he does not believe the Rodeo Club should be a recognized campus group.

"I am against them being an established club," he said. "I don't think it is something the Student Senate should be supporting."

"It's not just a game; it's a cruel activity. At minimum, it torments animals and, at worst, animals are seriously injured or killed."

In a letter distributed to student senators after the Oct. 23 meeting, Hood quoted Dr. E.J. Finocchio, a veterinarian with 20 years experience.

"I have witnessed firsthand the instant death of calves," Finocchio said, "after their spinal cords were severed from the abrupt stop at the end of a rope when traveling up to 30 miles per hour."

Rodeo Club President Ed Belveal said that would be impossible.

"It's unheard of," he said. "I've never seen a 30 miles-per-hour calf."

Belveal said for a calf to reach such speeds, steroids or other illegal substances would be involved.

"I'm also concerned that the Rodeo Club have a veterinarian at its competitions," Hood said. "Even the PRCA—Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association—suggests a vet be in attendance at all rodeos. I don't know if this club has a vet in attendance at all events."

Belveal said because the College does not own the stock used during the rodeos, the care of the animals is left to the companies who bring them to campus.

"There will be livestock handlers there to care for the stock," he said.

"When we put on the rodeos, the livestock producer handles that, and they have the proper training to care

OUT COLD



P.J. GRAHAM/The Chart

Senior forward Kenny Simpson is carried away by Joplin paramedics Thursday night after being knocked unconscious during basketball practice. Simpson was treated for a concussion at Freeman Hospital.

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Main fails, water lost

By JOHN HACKER
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

A small "lake" briefly formed on the lawn in front of Hearn's Hall Oct. 24 when a major water main ruptured.

Bob Beeler, director of the physical plant, said water service was disrupted to Hearn's and Young Gymnasium until about 10 p.m.

The break was discovered about 2:30 p.m. when "we found a small lake in the lawn in front of Hearn's," Beeler said.

"This line is part of our main artery system," he said. "It has [service to] fire hydrants as well as Hearn's and Young [Gymnasium] on it."

During the repairs, a jackhammer had to be used on a large rock found immediately under the break.

"That probably contributed to the break," Beeler said.

The pipe was fixed with a clamp called a Rockwell clamp.

"It's a stainless steel clamp with cast iron lugs and a neoprene liner," he said. "We're going to take the time to do this right."

Beeler said the resulting mud and gravel probably will remain for a while.

"We hope to be able to finish it in the next two weeks," he said. "The material we used to backfill [the hole] was totally saturated with water, and we know there will be some settling."

"We probably will wait two weeks on purpose to allow the settling to take place."

Beeler estimated the cost of the break at about \$600. Employee overtime was \$500, and the Rockwell clamp cost \$100.

Breaks like this one are not unusual for water pipes in the area, Beeler said.

"It's really not unique to Missouri Southern," he said. "It's just the nature of cast iron water lines. Generally, after a tremendous change in temperature you will see problems like this."

IN THE HOLE



CHAD HAYWORTH/The Chart

Bob Kemp, physical plant employee, operates a backhoe while digging a trench in the campus oval to access a fractured water main.

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The other standard not met was faculty load. The board cited the faculty as overloaded because some teach more than 12 hours.

"With the growth we've had in our institution, we have some faculty who teach more. That's beyond our control," Brown said.

Merryman said the College could hire additional part-time instructors to combat this, but is leary to sacrifice quality.

In 30 days the board will send the College a written report. Southern

will then write a rejoinder, adding evidence or disagreements to statements. The report and the College's response will be sent to the unit accreditation board for the final decision.

Brown said recognition is in order. "Our faculty are to be commended for their excellent work and spirit of cooperation," he said. "Special thanks go to the deans and the department heads, and we need to single out Dr. Ed Merryman and Dr. Rosanne Joyner who led this effort."

Mice invade residence halls

Students claim problem, SAs say no incidents reported

By LESLIE KARR
STAFF WRITER

Reports of mice in College residence halls apparently have not reached the staff assistants (SAs), but students living there say the problem exists.

"Oh yeah, we got 'em," said Mike Pledger, freshman business major and Webster Hall resident. "We most definitely got 'em. They come in the vent under the closet door, but we don't have any traps yet."

"We complained to our SA, and he said we have to take care of it ourselves."

Although several agreed there is a problem, Deb Gipson, resident director, said she has not been informed of one.

"We have heard no reports of a rodent problem," she said.

Some students said they have reported the mice's presence.

"I'm very mad," Jarrod Grimmett, freshman criminal justice major and Webster resident, said. "I've complained many times to Dan Fowler, head resident, and he's had people come and spray a couple of times, but mice continue to show up."

"I don't think it's our responsibility to keep them out. We pay our

money, so the school should take care of the problem."

Other residents are not as concerned with mice in the residence halls.

"I saw a mouse in the light in the South Hall lounge last week," said Shannon Belsha, freshman elementary education major. "I figure every place has a mouse or two every once in a while. I figure they probably have some traps out or something."

Kathy Vaughn, freshman physical education major, said the mice are seeking refuge from the changing weather.

"They're probably coming in from the field outside," she said. "Shoot, they don't bother me. One time our house was infested with them; it was terrible."

According to Mike Johnson, assistant director of the physical plant, routine spraying and powdering outside of buildings are done through Terminix International. Terminix has a guaranteed contract to come out and aid in any pest control problem reported.

"To my knowledge, no reports of rodent problems have been turned in at this time, but the key to avoiding them is general cleanliness," Johnson said. "Pests go to dirty places to live,

especially the cockroaches. It's kind of like waiting until you have a toothache to act on it. Terminix will attack the problem if they see one, but housekeeping would avoid the problem."

The rodent problem is not confined to Webster and South Hall, as residents in the College apartments also have been experiencing the pests.

"We've had mice coming in our apartment," said Matt Pressley, sophomore communications major. "They get in the desks and run around. One time they had eaten through a plastic bag with sunflower seeds and through a box of pop tarts. We bought mouse traps and some poison."

The possibility of rodents infesting their rooms alarms several residents who have not yet had problems.

"I hate the idea of waking up in the morning to a mouse on my pillow," said Regina Randolph, freshman biology major.

Rhonda Anglen, freshman biology major, believes the College should take action to prevent the problem.

"I think the school should be doing something about this," she said. "I don't feel comfortable sharing a room with rodents."

Regents debate core curriculum

By JOHN HACKER
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

New core curriculum requirements for entry to Missouri Southern were the center of discussion at Friday's meeting of the Board of Regents.

College President Julio Leon presented the Board with a plan approved by the Faculty Senate to require incoming freshmen to have completed a minimum number of mathematics, science, English, and social science classes in high school.

Leon said the public has adopted the concept that everyone not only has the right to attend college, but they also have the right to fail.

"This means colleges have to do remedial work when students didn't do well in high school," Leon told the Board.

While everyone does have the right to try, Leon said, colleges have reached the point where their resources no longer can cover the cost of remedial courses.

"For economic, as well as academic reasons, institutions need to be more demanding," he said.

Leon said the increased standards would have little effect on Southern's enrollment.

"As we phase it in I think we might have a slight decline in enrollment, but eventually it becomes a normal part of the culture and the

public will become used to it," he said.

Leon also discussed a recent trip he made to Chicago with members of the Joplin Area Chamber of Commerce. He described a breakfast meeting with the president of a consulting firm that assists major corporations who plan to establish or relocate plants or offices.

Leon said the No. 1 factor industry looks at now when considering a location is the quality of education in that area.

In other business, Dr. John Tiede, senior vice president, reported on plans for a 9,000-seat multi-purpose arena to be built near Hughes Stadium.

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Cinotto dies at 83

By P.J. GRAHAM
CAMPUS EDITOR

Last week's death of a Kansas man also meant the passing of a former Missouri Southern administrator.

Fred Cinotto, 83, administrative assistant under former President Leon C. Billingsly, died Oct. 24 in a Frontenac, Kan., nursing home. "Mr. Cinotto was a very strong, very caring, personable individual," said Dr. Glenn Dolence, vice president for student services.

Dolence worked with Cinotto for four years and continued their friendship after Cinotto retired from Southern in 1973. He said Cinotto, who came to the College in 1965, always told things as they were.

"There weren't many gray areas with Mr. Cinotto," he said. "You knew exactly where he stood."

"I would say the majority of his responses were excellent advice."

Dr. Floyd Belk, who retired as Southern's vice president for academic affairs in 1990, said Cinotto was a big help getting the College recognized as a four-year institution.

Belk said Cinotto was hired by Southern during the time the College was seeking four-year accreditation. Cinotto was closely associated with the accrediting association and completed much of the needed paperwork for the transition.

"The results [of Cinotto's work] are quite obvious," Belk said. "His whole life was dedicated to education. He was very intelligent, very articulate, and quite knowledgeable about the College."

Dolence believes Southern may not have been the same without Cinotto's influence.

"He did a great deal of work at Missouri Southern when it was just Missouri Southern College," he said. "Fred just worked day and night [on the initial accreditation]. In my opinion, he was the major force."

Dolence said Cinotto was chairman of the athletic committee for at least three years in addition to his other duties.

"He worked closely with the president, then he was in the placement office, and he served in the various academic committees," Dolence said.

"He was a caring, thoughtful person who always tried to see that the other individual was treated fairly and justly."

IT'S A LITTLE BENT



A Joplin police officer checks the damage to the car driven by Rachel Lombard, freshman psychology major. Two people were injured in the accident and admitted to St. John's Regional Medical Center.

CHRIS COX/The Chart

Press issues topic of lectures

By KAYLEA HUTSON
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

As part of an ongoing lecture series, the social science department will host a symposium featuring three media experts. "The Media's Impact on Government and First Amendment Issues" will be presented from 9:30 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. and 11 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 14 in Matthews Hall auditorium.

Dr. Judy Conboy, professor of sociology and member of the planning committee, said the event is related to the "Managing America's Cities" symposium held last year.

"It's part of a larger series originally funded by the Helen S. Boyan Foundation," Conboy said. The symposium is part of "The Women in Government and Politics" series.

During the conference, participants will be discussing issues and problems the press deals with.

Pam Johnson, managing editor of the *Phoenix Gazette* and a former features editor for *The Chart*; Fran Zone, media consultant and adjunct instructor at the University of California-Berkeley; and Pat Flynn, assistant attorney general of Mississippi and former editor of the *Yazoo City Herald*; are scheduled to speak.

According to Conboy, Johnson will discuss the print media and her experiences working at the *Kansas City Star*. Zone will speak about her involvement in directing political campaigns and media relations. Flynn specializes in communications law.

Conboy said the symposium will address First Amendment issues.

"It's meant to stimulate student interest," she said, "and the importance of the media and methods of communications in influencing governmental decision making."

Conboy said the symposium will benefit not only students but also the

community.

"The media plays a large role in our thinking," she said. "We want our students to become informed citizens and active citizens."

The symposium will give them the opportunity to hear people from the print media and those who work with the media and those concerned with the First Amendment rights and impact on the government."

Conboy said one reason the committee chose this topic is its relevance to current politics.

"There has been so much criticism of the media and its influence on the way people react," she said. "As educators, we were concerned about the way people process information and the way they are exposed to the information."

"We want [the students] to become informed processors of information, through print and electronic media, and to critically think about what they are hearing and seeing."

3 accidents occur Collisions involve College students

By JOHN HACKER
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Monday may have seemed like a day at a demolition derby to some people on Missouri Southern's campus.

Three automobile accidents involving students occurred between 12:55 p.m. and 9:35 p.m. in the parking lots and on the streets around the campus.

The first happened on Newman Road at an entrance to the College when, according to a police report, a car driven by Rachel Lombard, freshman psychology major, pulled in the path of a vehicle driven by Linda Bryant of Crestline, Kan.

"I heard the breaks and heard the actual collision," said Craig Richardson, Southern security guard. "I was up on the main drive in front of [Billingsly Student Center], and I looked out there and by that time the accident was over."

Richardson said he went out to help and called Joplin police.

Bill Boyer, chief of security, said he spent about 30 minutes and Richardson about 45 minutes assisting police.

Joplin police took the report on the accident because it happened off the campus.

"We just tried to keep other accidents from happening until proper authorities got there," Boyer said. "It wasn't our jurisdiction because although she was at our stop sign, the accident actually happened on the street."

Boyer said both Bryant and Vivian Box, a passenger in Bryant's car from Columbus Kan., were taken to St. John's Regional Medical Center.

"It looked like the passenger was hurt the worst because she slammed

her head into the windshield and actually moved it out," Boyer said.

Bryant was admitted to St. John's and is listed in good condition. Box was treated and released.

At 2 p.m. Monday an unattended truck, belonging to Albert Stadler, freshman undecided major, rolled into three vehicles in the Webster Hall parking lot.

Larry Seneker, junior computer science major, called security after he saw the accident.

"I was walking into Webster when I saw this truck with nobody in it rolling and running into another truck," Seneker said.

"The kid came out and saw his truck had rolled into these other cars, and he got in and drove off."

Seneker said the truck rolled about 15 yards before striking the other vehicles.

The vehicles damaged in the incident belonged to John J. Hollingsworth, sophomore criminal justice major; Eric Floyd, freshman general business major; and Kelly Smith, freshman pre-physical therapy major.

The third accident was a hit-and-run at an exit onto Duquesne Road about 9:35 p.m.

Shelly Martin, senior elementary education major, was pulling onto Duquesne Road when a green and blue Ford Bronco rear-ended her vehicle. Richardson said the incident was still under investigation because the Bronco's Kansas license plate was not on file.

"We just have to wait until it comes up on file," Richardson said.

"What it could be is a new tag or a transferred tag, and until the state of Kansas gets all its paperwork together, we're just kind of at a standstill."

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if they were to go out and buy, would cost \$5 a sack. That in itself is the \$10 right there," Gipson said.

RHA also sponsored a face-painting party to promote spirit for the football game against Pittsburg State University and has invited trick-or-treaters to South Hall for Halloween.

"We try to do enough things that everyone will find something," Gipson said. "If they don't come to the dances, then they probably come to the movie nights. If nothing else, almost everyone picks up their final food."

Buttel does not think offering fi-

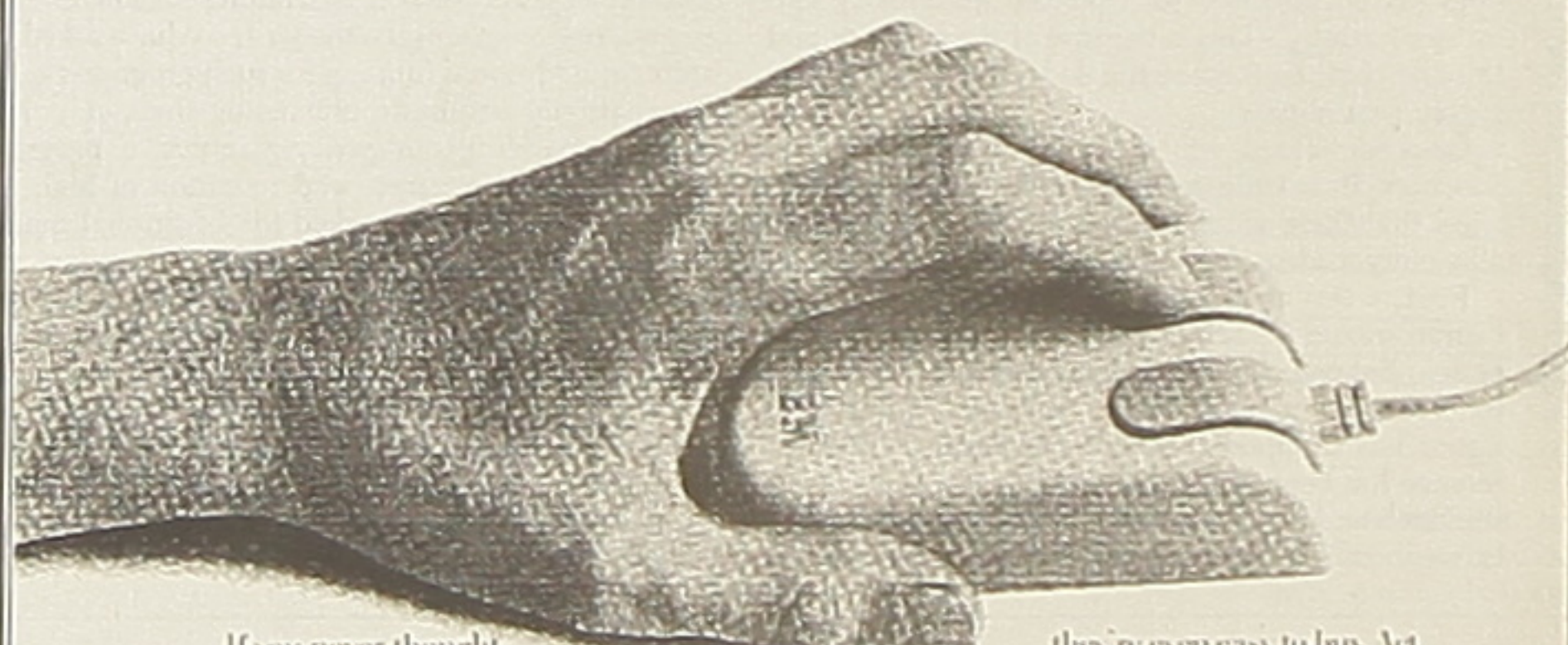
nals food makes the club worthwhile.

"I don't think a bag of goodies makes up for it," he said. "That's something we could get on our own if we wanted to—we shouldn't have to pay an RHA fee for it."

Gipson said the organization makes an effort to use the money in ways that benefit the students.

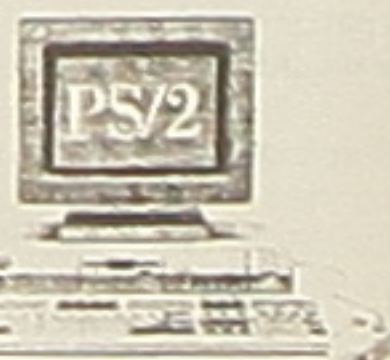
"Anytime we see something we feel is directly related to our student population here, we may discuss putting in money to that," she said. "We try to be extremely responsible, and I feel we have been responsible with the money in RHA."

"After I plugged it in, everything clicked for me."

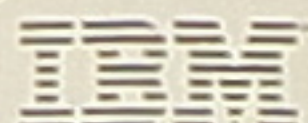


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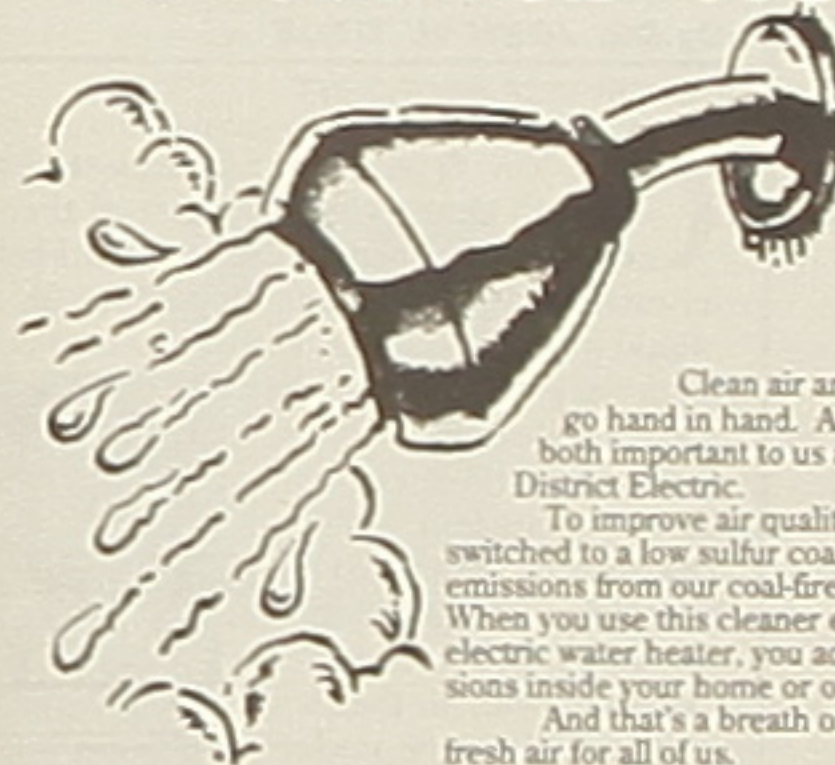
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Vote yes for 'B'

It's up to us. Proposition B goes to a vote Tuesday, and for all the talk and attention the subject has received, it still is questionable whether the measure will pass. Pray it does, Southern; pray hard. Missouri education is in trouble. Students are working with outdated equipment and in buildings in need of maintenance, and each year must pay more for the privilege of a mediocre education. That's sickening. Proposition B would earmark \$190 million for higher education. Earmarked money cannot be used for any other purpose. The money is there. Guaranteed. If Proposition B fails, 40 elementary and secondary districts in Missouri could go under. Some of those kids may not have the opportunity to ever reach college. Some of Proposition B's opponents claim this is the wrong package at the wrong time. We contend it is the only package and the time is now. The facts are clear.

Next year is an election year, and no one in their right political mind will ask for more taxes.

The year after is the first year of a new executive administration. Likewise, no governor will abruptly end his public relations and legislative honeymoon by asking voters to ante up.

Year after that? Nope. Another election year, so don't expect a funding package.

The average tax increase for a family of four with a \$32,000 income would be less than \$10. That is peanuts compared to the costs of inadequate education and the subsequent loss of business for Missouri.

Earlier this year, College President Julio Leon told faculty that of the nearly three million registered voters in Missouri, about 900,000 are expected to vote. Keeping this in mind, Proposition B will need 450,001 thumbs-up from Missouri voters for approval. Try to be that '1'.

Hall problems

What the heck is going on at the residence halls?

A lot of the residents have been asking themselves that for some time. First, they are compelled to pay for membership in an organization that many cannot even find. Second, they must endure visits from uninvited house guests like mice.

Perhaps the grumbings would be dismissed as isolated complaints by a few discontents if it were not for the troubling and indifferent attitudes of those in charge.

Staff assistants maintain they have heard no complaints about the mice, and resident director Deb Gipson blames the lack of awareness regarding RHA on the students.

We found some students who disagree.

The basic consensus is that RHA should be more accessible and the SAs should address the rodent problem.

Both the SAs and Gipson claim they were unaware of these problems because the residents never told them.

They have now.



Today's Halloween less safe for children

By KAYLEA HUTSON
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Halloween. A day when children of all ages can become a totally different character for a small period of time and go to friends' houses and trick-or-treat for candy.

Characters include witches, goblins, spooks, or a dainty fairy princess, clown, or anything imaginable.

Halloween. What wonderful memories this day can hold for people. I can remember being in elementary school and dressing up in a princess costume which my mom made for me. Then, after attending the class party, running all around town with my best friends in our costumes, first "trick-or-treating" for UNICEF and then later for candy. The cries of "Trick-or-treat, smell my feet, give me something good to eat" filled the air. Luckily, we were always given candy without having to either play a trick or have our feet smelled.

What an assortment of goodies we would receive. Not only did we get the cookies, candy, orange-colored popcorn balls, and other assorted sweets from trick-or-treating around town, but also the goodies from our class Halloween party. We also bought pumpkins which we carved into jack o' lanterns.



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But while I have memories like this associated with Halloween from my childhood, children growing up today may not have the same opportunity. Today, children are not able to just run around town trick-or-treating in search of candy at just any house. Most children only trick-or-treat at houses of people they know.

Trick-or-treaters today are greeted to the realization that the world is not the happy and safe place it used to be. Every year hundreds of children are endangered because of candy and other treats which are tampered with by terrible people who get their kicks out of hurting innocent children.

Detective J.L. Holden of the Joplin Police Department said he was unaware of any cases of candy tampering last year. Holden said the low numbers of tampering cases are a result of the JPD's efforts to inform the area about the dangers associated with Halloween trick-or-treating.

While this is the case, the unreported figures could just mean parents have become more aware of the potential danger this one-time American pastime has become. In the past, tamperings have included placing razor blades within apples and poison in candy.

Several area hospitals have offered candy X-ray programs on Halloween for parents who still take their children trick-or-treating. However, according to one local emergency room nurse, "none of the hospitals do that anymore and haven't for the last few years."

Stephen Smith, spokesman for Oak Hill Hospital's marketing department, said Oak Hill does not have a candy X-ray program. "We do not X-ray candy because while you can see the metal objects, you can't determine if someone has put poisons into it," Smith said. "It leads to a false sense of security."

OK, maybe this program does create a "false sense of security" and leads people to believe that if the candy has passed an X-ray test then it is safe to eat. But it seems to me if there is even a slight chance of candy tamperings, at least one hospital should check the children's candy to be sure it is all right. Wouldn't the proverbial saying "Better safe than sorry" apply?

While it appears candy tamperings do not occur in the Joplin area, it does not mean we are safe. We cannot say it will never happen.

My advice for anyone taking children trick-or-treating is this: only take them to people you are absolutely positively sure about. And even then, check their candy before letting them eat it. It could have been tampered with prior to purchase. A child's life is too important to risk.

For parents not wishing to take their children trick-or-treating, but still want them to be able to enjoy Halloween, the JPD and Oak Hill are co-sponsoring Kids Day at the John Q. Hammons Trade Center from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. today. Smith said approximately 8,000 children and parents attended the free event last year.

It's too bad children today cannot experience all the joys of Halloween without having to worry about safety. Halloween should be a time when kids can be kids, without worrying about adults being jerks.

Students should consider Proposition B

By DR. JOHN W. TIEDE
SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT

On Nov. 5, Missouri Southern students, along with the rest of the voters of the state, will have a chance to vote on what I believe to be a watershed proposition. Proposition B, if passed, would give the state of Missouri a chance to take a leadership position in the field of education. So often, it seems that Missouri citizens are satisfied with being average. This is our opportunity to change that image. A better educated populace will, in the long run, result in more productivity and lower taxes for everyone. On a macro level, passage of this proposition is the right thing to do. It provides the necessary reforms for both elementary and secondary and higher education. The funds are earmarked so that they may not be diverted to other purposes. Additionally, the earmarked funds should



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not be available for desegregation costs.

The revenue side of Proposition B is extremely reasonable. The monies raised from corporate income tax do not come from an increase in the rates, but an extension of already existing rates. The 3/8-cent sales tax portion has been labeled as "elderly and farmer friendly." This is because of the low rate and the fact that the income tax deduction limitation is highly progressive.

On a micro level, why should a student at Missouri Southern State College be in favor of Proposition B? I feel that there are at least three important reasons why every student should be in favor of Proposition B.

First, a very pragmatic reason is that increases in tuition should be substantially less if Proposition B passes. Ten years ago, state appropriations accounted for about 75 percent of our revenues. Today, that figure has dropped to about 60 percent. The difference has been made up largely with increases in student fees. If state appropriations go up significantly, we should be able to "hold the line" better on stu-

dent fee increases.

Second, the possible change to a university status holds great promise for past, current, and future students. Whether we like it or not, university status carries more prestige. Also, the likelihood of graduate programs would be greatly enhanced with a name change.

Thirdly, the implementation of quality programs would be facilitated. Missouri Southern has for a number of years been on the leading edge in developing quality programs. In the past, we have asked the state for additional funding for such programs as our international emphasis, enhancing the core curriculum, expanding our writing intensive program, assessment of outcomes, and retention of high-risk students. We have also asked for additional monies for new science equipment, new microcomputers, and new telecommunications equipment. None of these requests has been funded due to lack of state revenue. If Missouri Southern were to receive its "fair share" of new monies, we would receive approximately \$6.5 million for these types of programs.

For these reasons, I am asking each student to give careful consideration to Proposition B and vote on Nov. 5.

YOUR LETTERS

Please submit "Letters to the Editor" to The Chart office in Hearnes Hall 117 by noon Monday for that week's edition. All letters must be printed or typed, and signed. Letters of less than 300 words in length receive priority consideration.

Editor's opinion not acceptable

Last week a column was written by T.R. Hanrahan about why he was upset because people talked bad about gays. Mr. Hanrahan, it's time another opinion was heard. Just because you think the gays and lesbians should be allowed to form an alliance, does not mean the rest of MSSC does. Many students, such as myself, find homosexuality wrong, even disgusting. You be-

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Annex residents want same rights

We have a simple question.

Why are those living in the campus apartments given the privilege of having 24-hour visitation, while all other residence halls given rigid rules and times addressed to our visitation privileges?

We pay the same fees and feel that we deserve the same privileges. We have been questioning this for some time, but haven't gained anything by it.

If nothing else, we feel that we deserve a valid answer to this question. We are prepared to show by petition that the people in our building would

like to have 24-hour visitation. Whatever the residents of the apartments have done to gain this privilege, we would gladly repeat.

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Junior college traditions carry over

Umb, Dear Editor, you got a knee-jerk out of me. It felt a little good, too. You must do it more often. Nevertheless, what you did was make an implication (abhorrent to journalists) that Joplin Junior College was a place for something remedial. Not so.

Joplin Junior College: small and poor—yes—while it wrote a history of academic distinction whose graduates were sought after by the higher-ed hotshots around the country. Those traditions carry over.

As you reach and stretch in this, your fledgling state of journalism, be kind, careful, and alert to (not with, but to) the words that describe the relation between image and meaning that you peck onto your little green screens. There is so much depending on you.

OK. My knee has stopped vibrating (reluctantly) and I'm back to being your best reader.

Larry B. Meacham
1960 Joplin Junior College graduate

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Middle East peace talks to begin this week

Nuclear weapon stockpiles important during talks

THE ECONOMIST ▶

When the French delivered it, at the end of the 1950s, the Israelis called the building in Dimona a textile plant. Later President Eisenhower forced them to admit it was really a nuclear reactor. Later still President Kennedy forced Israel to let American inspectors look inside, to check its claim that the reactor was for peaceful purposes only. The inspectors came and went—for the last time in 1969. They did little good. By then the CIA reckoned Israel had the atomic bomb; rather a lot of bombs, in fact.

Israel keeps its undeclared nuclear weapons in the background of the conflict with the Arabs, except when it wants them to do their job of deterrence. On those occasions—just before the Gulf war, for example—Israeli leaders repeat some variation of their ambiguous promise to be neither the first country, nor the second, to bring nuclear weapons to the Middle East. At other times, Israel keeps *shut*; and, in more ways than one, shuts up people who break their silence. Mordechai Vanunu, a technician from Dimona who in 1986 gave his country's nuclear secrets to Britain's *Sunday Times*, was kidnapped from London (or Rome?) to Israel and jailed for life.

Despite these efforts, Israel's bomb may be about to move into the limelight. One trivial reason is the imminent publication by Seymour Hersh, an American investigative journalist, of a book expected to show how big the Israeli nuclear arsenal is, and how successive American administrations have let or helped it grow. Another is that David Kay, the United Nations inspector who helped unmask Iraq's nuclear secrets, has now expressed

interest in visiting Israeli nuclear sites as well. He, though, is being mischievous: unlike Iraq, Israel has not signed the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT) or promised not to build atomic bombs. The Israeli bomb is perfectly legal. It is also, now that superpower arsenals are dwindling, increasingly unpopular. This week United States Secretary of State James Baker, and Boris Pankin, the Soviet foreign minister, were converging on



Jerusalem to put the finishing touches to their plan for an Arab-Israeli peace conference.

An Israeli daily, *Haaretz*, published a story saying President Bush had decided to use the conference as a chance to strip Israel of its nuclear weapons. This is unlikely: the arguments between Israel and its neighbors are convoluted enough without adding a nuclear twist right at the start. But, as the peace talks unfold, it will become harder to keep the subject off the agenda. Even if the Americans do not put it there, the Arabs will.

Estimates of Israel's arsenal vary, but most commentators assume that

it consists of up to 100 atomic bombs of advanced design, as some more powerful hydrogen ones as well.

Syria's defense minister, Mustafa Tlas, said on Oct. 13, that Israel, with its "complex of superiority and policy of expansionism," must be made to give up its nuclear weapons. Since America helped Israel acquire the bomb, he added, the Americans should make it disarm. Egypt, too, says it wants to rid the Middle East of all weapons of mass destruction. At any peace talks Israel will complain about the new missiles and chemical weapons that Arab states are accumulating, and the Arabs will say they need those weapons to counter Israel's nuclear ones.

Beyond wishing it did not exist, American policy towards Israel's bomb has generally been inscrutable. Though the Americans call routinely on all countries to sign the NPT, and submit to international nuclear inspection, they do not expect Israel to obey. Israel's low opinion of the NPT prompted its bombing raid on Iraq's Osirak reactor ten years ago, and has been confirmed by the discovery that Iraq had until the Gulf War been running a bomb program under the noses of the treaty's inspectors. There is talk of stiffening the NPT, but the next review conference is not until 1995. Until then, and until Iraq has been convincingly defanged, the chances of Israel joining the treaty are small.

In a speech last June, Bush introduced a new idea. He proposed a verifiable ban on the production and acquisition of bomb-making material, and the "eventual" creation of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the region. This may signal America's intention to make Israel give up its nuclear weapons in stages. It would have first to put its reactor under international supervision, so that eve-

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ryone could be sure that it was no longer producing plutonium. In return the Arabs would waive the rights they have under the NPT to produce fissionable material for peaceful purposes. But Israel would keep the bombs it had already made, giving them up only when the time was right.

There is, however, more than one way to interpret Bush's speech. He may have been bringing the Israeli nuclear question into the open in

order to give himself another weapon to wield against Israel if it proves obdurate in the peace talks. Or he may hope that Israel's bomb can be used in the latter stage of the negotiation as a bargaining counter, to be given up in return for concessions from the Arabs or for some sort of defense guarantee from the United States. Israel may prefer a bomb in the hand to the word of Bush. But the period of leaving Israel's nuclear arsenal alone is drawing to a close.

Baker's peace efforts risked by obstacles

THE ECONOMIST ▶

Until the Gulf War James Baker knew little about the Middle East. Now he may think he knows too much. Since the war he has made eight tours of the Middle East's capitals in pursuit of an apparently simple mission: to get Arabs and Israelis to talk to each other about peace. By midweek he looked close to success. But nothing, in the Middle East, is ever simple. Three obstacles were still threatening to trip him up.

Israel was standing by its refusal to negotiate with Palestinians who are affiliated to the Palestine Liberation Organization, or who live in East Jerusalem or outside the Israeli-occupied territories. But all the Palestinians whom America has been talking to take their orders from the PLO. While Baker was in Jerusalem on Oct. 17, the PLO was debating in Tunis whether to help the conference happen, by pretending not to be giving its compatriots orders. If it did so pretend, would the Israelis pretend to believe the pretense?

Syria said (after a mammoth 12 hour haggle with Baker) that it would attend the conference, but not all of it. It wants to stay away from talks about water, security, peace, and suchlike; and come only to the bits of the conference which deal with getting Israel out of the Golan Heights and the other occupied territories. Syria's foreign minister says he will not shake his Israeli counterpart's "guilty" hand. Israel says the point of the conference is to make peace, and that the Americans ought to make Syria accept that.

Joplin couple receives scare

By KAYLEA HUTSON
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

For rural Joplinites Nancy and Howard Gilliam, a trip to Israel last month brought new experiences and surprises.

"I was surprised at how safe it is there," Nancy said. "In Haifa, children can run the streets in the evenings after dark, young girls can be together, and nobody ever bothers anyone. It's very safe on the streets."

The Gilliams left Joplin Sept. 28 for 16 days in Israel. Howard was sent by Senior Engineering Co. as an overseas consultant.

Nancy said the trip was uneventful until the two attempted to travel to Ramallah and Shiloh to take a picture of a temple.

"This was in the West Bank, we knew it was," she said. "But we were just going to drive along and take pictures."

However, because the roads were not clearly marked, the two

became lost. Since they already had traveled through two Arab towns and did not want to turn around, they continued to drive.

"We looked up and there was an outpost of the Israeli army with the barbed wire," Nancy said. "The barbed wire is beautiful when you are lost in the West Bank; that barbed wire twisted is wonderful."

A soldier directed them to the nearest town.

"We got to the town of Tulkarm and another fork in the road with no markings, but we chose the wrong direction," she said.

Nancy said while they were weaving the car through the mass of people in town's marketplace, there was a "thud" on the car roof.

"Glass just started shattering," she said. "Glass just started covering the interior of the car."

Arabs standing on balconies above the market were stoning the car, shattering the back window. They just wanted to scare us

more than hurt us," Nancy said. "They could have gotten us when we turned around."

After they left town, they noticed an Israeli outpost they had missed when entering town. When the soldiers learned about the incident, the Gilliams were told they needed to return to Tulkarm to file an incident report.

"They ended up escorting us," Nancy said. "It was something to see a soldier sitting in a car with the muzzle of his gun out of the window."

Nancy said since she returned to the United States, she has a new awareness about Israel.

"When we heard that the soldiers were killed, suddenly they had faces," she said. "We had had our pictures taken with several soldiers while we were there. Suddenly, they had faces to me."

Nancy said she would return to Israel despite what happened, but Howard said it felt good to return to the United States.

Arabs: Israel should be 51st state

By DR. CONRAD GUBERA
PROFESSOR OF SOCIOLOGY

[Gubera was one of 10 American educators to tour Jordan, Syria, Israel, and the occupied territories from July 20 to Aug. 22. The study trip was sponsored by the National Council for U.S.-Arab Relations.]

The Arabs had told us, jokingly, that Israel should really be the 51st state of America. "It certainly receives more federal money annually than any one of the 50, and it is so western that it would easily be accommodated by the rest." Typical propaganda, we thought.

And then we crossed the Jordan River—through hours of customs and questions by heavily armed, thoroughly intense Israeli border guards. Not much room for humor—or place for it—as the day wore on and our observation group is transferred from an Arab bus to a neutral border crossing bus, to finally an Israeli coach. The River Jordan is very low, considerably less water in it than I recall seeing in the summer of 1988—

but then the Israelis lift over a half million gallons from it daily. How much it reminds me of Shoal Creek during a dry southwest Missouri summer.

On the west side of the King Abdullah (Hussein) bridge, we are now officially in the West Bank, the occupied territories, and under the continual scrutiny of the Israeli army. It is an uncomfortable feeling which we will learn to accommodate, even joke about in an effort to release tensions.

Dismal—perhaps the one word which can typify the land of the West Bank close to the Jordan River. The barren, cavernous areas—the waste lands of the deserts, and the dryness and desolation seen from the coach makes us wonder aloud what on earth could be so important about this area which has brought so much conflict to the peoples of this region.

The oasis of Jericho, the ancient Biblical city, breaks the spell of the desert. The city itself is rather dreary and ordinary—not what one envisions at all about this historic place. One of our guides mentions that Jericho has the largest population of African Moslems in the Middle East. It is obvious as we move through the serpentine streets of the city.

Within an hour we are at the outskirts of Jerusalem—approaching it from the eastern (Arab) side which

brings us immediately to the walls of the "old city" of Christ's time. As we pass the Mount of Olives and the Garden of Gethsemane, the Dome of the Rock (some of us will later see how beautiful and spiritual it is on the inside), one of the main Islamic holy places outside of Mecca, becomes readily apparent. Our hotel accommodations are in the heart of East Jerusalem, the Arab section, only several blocks from the Damascus Gate, one of the central and most well-known entrances into the Walled City of Biblical Jerusalem.

But the streets are bleak, the buildings rather dirty, and the general appearance bespeaks an inner-urban profile that many Americans would rather read about or see through TV rather than visit, much less reside in for three weeks. Graffiti in Arab script is on the buildings (the different colors of spray paint used reference the different Palestinian political groups); much of it has been covered by flat, heavy black paint, one of the duties the occupying Israeli troops do every morning.

There are a lot of Israeli troops everywhere, on patrol via military vehicles with mounted guns or three abreast on the sidewalks. As we quickly learned, tension is the daily atmosphere and we perceived (with amazement) how the Arab and Palestinian peoples ignored or simply "looked through" (depersonalized) the mostly young, hard looking, arrogant soldiers. Each must play his role, Arab and Jew, in this daily facade while we outside observers were sensitive to but cautious of all.

Incredulously we watched as the Israeli settlers came into the old city to worship on Sabbath at the "Wailing Wall," pistols in sidearms belts or long barrel guns slung across their shoulders. Settlers have moved onto Arab lands without legal titles so they often encounter the Intifada youth who, not having access to fire arms, will throw stones or engage in other menacing behaviors—our observation team visited wounded Arab youths in a UN hospital who had been shot by settlers or troops.

At the Wailing Wall the Jewish faithful congregate in the Friday twilight, while several hundred yards directly north across the old city Christians have just finished their weekly Friday afternoon "Stations of the Cross" following the very "path of sorrows" (Via Delorosa) that Jesus Christ was forced to struggle continuously uphill toward Golgotha and his execution.

Between these two areas the Dome of the Rock sits where, just hours before at noon, the weekly prayer and mosque services were held for

the Islamic faithful. These areas are so close together in proximity, yet so far apart theologically. The interactions of the Arabs, Christians, and Jews are daily patterns respectful of differences tempered by a survival rationality in this place. Fervor and tension are made oblivious for this obvious reason. Or were we Americans who were thrust into this diversity simply oversensitive?

Across the city in West Jerusalem it was a secular Sabbath evening. Young people in shorts and tank-tops were "window shopping," sipping Cokes or ordering cold beer, listening to live rock bands and enjoying other street performers and each other. The lights were bright and the pavement sparkled with their reflections. Here was laughter, color, excitement. Videos flashed across large screens outdoors, outdoor cafes thrived, and one is transported into an American setting analogous to Manhattan N.Y. or the Kansas City Plaza area on a warm summer night.

It is so difficult to visualize unless one has walked across the city through the mythical "green line" (set at the end of the 1967 war to distinguish the Arab-Israeli areas from the old city and the Arab sector of militarily occupied East Jerusalem—where the streets are now dark, silent, and foreboding since there is a curfew imposed on all Arabs beginning at sundown on Friday and extending until Sunday morning. Two worlds—worlds apart!

Most Americans will visit Israel and see it only from the west side—the Americanized profile. They will come to Jerusalem and quickly visit the holy places of Christianity and Judaism in a group and under protective guard. They won't linger in East Jerusalem. It isn't pretty; there are no bright lights, colors, excitement. It isn't clean, and it does look frightening and threatening. Besides, in West Jerusalem, they know what the norms are, how to act, how to enjoy themselves, and how to marvel at how Israel is so modern and so much like home.

Indeed! This seems justification in and of itself as why Israel should prevail in its quest to annex all the Arab-Palestinian land because look at what they would do for it!

All our group had past experiences in which we had been "caught" between two cultures. "Marginal" is what sociologists have called such uncertain status. Perhaps it is only through "notes on the margins" that understanding and appreciation can evolve in this particular setting. I wonder.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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lieve gays should be able to meet under the First Amendment. When the hell do we draw the line? If we have a bunch of Neo-Nazis running around on campus burning the American flag, would you consider

that a sacred right? Under the First Amendment, the rest of us should be able to speak out against GALA. In your column you said "The day we become sanitized by narrow-mindedness is the day I will quit." Well,

sir, it seems to me you don't want to hear any opinion that differs from your own, so maybe you should quit.

Colby Prough
Freshman undecided major

Government assuming parental rights

Horrible pornographic books, "traditional bedtime stories," "informative books," and books "considered classics." Wake up, Kaylea Hutson! Parents across the nation are awake, and they are fighting the desensitization of their children in the public school system, a system from which few parents can afford to free their children. Miss Hutson's Oct. 10 column was unfortunately one-sided and lacked sensitivity for people of high moral standards. Her opinion seems to be that parents object to the reading of certain materials because such reading is believed to be wrong. The argument is not over whether a certain book is good or bad. No simple piece of literature by itself deserves to be read or discarded. Educated and informed parents are aware of this. The controversy is over the rights of parents to raise and educate their children and centralize educational policy. Perhaps fewer 13-year-olds would become pregnant if the nation encour-

aged the practice of parental responsibility instead of assuming it is the school's job to carry the standard of the popular morality. Each school should be a reflection of the attitudes and moral standards of the parents of those children attending. Movements for book banning are the result of parents being alienated from the educational process and fighting to gain some influence on their child's education. Unfortunately, most parents do not have the luxury of home-schooling or private-schooling, partly due to the state's refusal to pay an equal portion to private schools for each child in attendance as is paid to public schools. Without this competition for the respect of parents, public schools standards are at an all-time low. If you do not believe there is a move toward governmental assumption of parental responsibility, consider the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child. Already accepted by Australia, the convention proposes,

among other things, that the government have the final say as to what is "in the best interests of the child;" that parents are not allowed to influence in any way a child's views on morality or religion; that parents are not allowed to have a child educated at home; and that parents are not allowed to place any restriction on what a child sees, reads, hears, is taught at school, or experiences in any way. American families are awake and are fighting to remain the key influence in the moral and educational nurturing of their children. We should hold high respect for those parents brave enough to challenge the educational goals of their district and state. Those parents who aspire to defend and promote the educational goals of the most powerful institution in the world—the family.

Ron Leonard
Freshman elementary education major

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Today is the last day to sign up for the singles and doubles racquetball tournament. Sign-ups for co-ed volleyball will be taken until Nov. 7.

Deposits of \$100 for the Colorado Ski Trip Jan. 3-8 must be paid by Nov. 7 in Room 102 of the BSC.

There will be a Halloween buffet from 10:40 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. in the Connor Ballroom and the Keystone Room of the BSC. Cost is \$3.50.

LDSSA will meet at noon in Room 313 of the BSC.

ECM will gather from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. in Room 311 of the BSC.

The Modern Communications Club will hold a discussion of communication law from 1 p.m. to 2:15 p.m. in Room 314 of the BSC.

The Bicycle Club will meet from 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. in Room 311 of the BSC.

A Halloween dance, sponsored by the CAB, will be held from 7:30 p.m. to midnight in the Lions' Den. Costume contests will be held.

1 TOMORROW

The Fellowship of Christian Athletes gathers from 7 a.m. to 8 a.m. in BSC Room 313.

Southern Concepts will meet from noon to 1 p.m. in BSC Room 306.

2 SATURDAY

The football Lions challenge Northwest Missouri State at 1 p.m. in Maryville.

3 SUNDAY

Kappa Alpha will hold a meeting from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. in Room 311 of the BSC.

4 MONDAY

The Faculty Senate will meet at 3 p.m. in Room 313 of the BSC.

Freshman Donnie Bennett will give martial arts lessons from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the BSC Connor Ballroom.

5 TUESDAY

The lunch for the Baptist Student Union will be from 11 a.m. to noon in BSC Room 311.

The Newman Club gathers from noon to 1 p.m. in Room 306 of the BSC.

LDSSA will meet from noon to 1 p.m. in BSC Room 313.

A law enforcement luncheon will be held from noon to 1 p.m. in the Connor Ballroom of the BSC.

Koinonia meets at 7 p.m. at the College Heights Christian Church.

6 WEDNESDAY

The International Club will conduct a bake sale from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the east stairwell and the Lions' Den of the BSC.

There will be a Baptist Student Union Luncheon from noon to 1 p.m. in BSC Room 311.

A meeting for AERho will be from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. in Room 313 of the BSC.

The CAB will gather from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. in Room 310 of the BSC.

The Student Senate meets at 5:30 p.m. in BSC Room 310.

The Lady Lions volleyball team plays Drury College at 6:30 p.m. in Springfield.

NOTE: The next edition of *The Chart* will be published on Thursday, Nov. 14.

Couple revisits College

Students disagree with evangelists' form of preaching

By KAYLEA HUTSON
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Evangelists Brother Jed Smock and Sister Cindy Smock returned to Missouri Southern Monday to spread their version of the gospel.

The pair last visited the College in 1983. The evangelists, who are married, were accompanied by Paul Stamm, a student of Brother Jed's, and a group from the Victory Christian Center in Carthage.

Stamm and the Smocks began speaking at 11 a.m. to inform students of "their wicked ways." Sister Cindy addressed a crowd of onlookers while Brother Jed videotaped her remarks. Stamm attempted to distribute literature, but was asked to stop.

The three members of the College Community Church, Columbus, Ohio, began speaking to students next to the sign board in front of the Billingsly Student Center. After being directed by campus security to the designated speaking area (the curb near the crosswalk), the three continued to shout insults and words of damnation to the gathering crowd.

"Follow me, you whores and whoremongers," Sister Cindy said as she walked to the designated area.

Bill Boyer, chief of security, said approximately 100 students attended the curb-side demonstration. He said this number reflected the core group of students in attendance.

According to Brother Jed, the two travel around the United States speaking to college students.

"We call students to repent," he said, "and to show faith in the Lord Jesus."

Sister Cindy said her husband travels to a minimum of 50 to 100 colleges each year.

"We want to warn the wicked and warn students they must follow Jesus," she said. "We also preach to the hypocrites."

Society creates recognition award

Honor group takes award nominations

By LESLIE KARR
STAFF WRITER

Phi Eta Sigma, a scholastic honor society, will honor someone from Missouri Southern by presenting "Making a World of Difference" recognition awards.

Phi Eta Sigma members decided to establish the award to recognize the people who are making Southern a better community. The only stipulation is that the nominee be a staff member, faculty member, or student doing something noteworthy.

"It doesn't matter what the nominee is doing," said Dr. Earle Doman,

JUDGMENT DAY



Leon Stump, pastor of the Victory Christian Center and part of the support group for evangelists who spoke on campus Monday morning, confronts students about their "wicked ways" at the Biology Pond.

Arguments between the three evangelists and onlookers began and increased as the evangelists told students of their awaiting time in hell if they continued to sin.

"Raise your hand if you are homosexual, raise your hand if you masturbate, raise your hand if you cheat in school," Stamm said. "If you raised your hand then you are headed for hell."

Stamm said he was on campus to preach the "gospel, not gossip," to sinners.

When Stamm attempted to distribute flyers to the crowd, he was stopped by Bill Clemons and Craig Richardson of campus security. Distribution of written materials without prior approval is against campus policy.

"They said it is against College rules," Stamm said. "I believe this is a violation of my First Amendment rights."

At noon, security informed the crowd that the demonstration would be dispersed because it had exceeded the one-hour limit in the curbside area. The evangelists and onlookers then moved to the Biology Pond pavilion, where the demonstration lasted until 4 p.m.

As the preaching continued, students questioned Brother Jed's video camera. He said "the tape would be a witness against you people."

Stamm was confronted by students who questioned his credibility.

"So you don't sin?" asked Phillip Samuels, freshman communications major.

"No, I gave it up. It's against my religion," Stamm said.

Stamm, like the Smocks, travels to college campuses. He said there are two primary reasons.

"To warn the wicked and to persuade people to repent," he said.

However, many students who attended the demonstration believed the evangelists' form of preaching turned people away from religion.

"This is not true Christianity," said a spokesperson for a group of Koinonia members present. "Jesus Christ said the greatest commandment is love, but this is not love. This is condemnation."

Jeremy Beres, sophomore undecided major, said although he agrees with their message, their methods are not the way to "save" people.

"Students were basically turned off," Beres said. "I have friends who go to the mall and witness, and they

get more things done because they do it on a more personable level."

"They are judging us, and God is the only person who can judge us."

Samuels said Stamm appeared the opposite of what he claims.

"I think he is the Antichrist. I honestly believe that," Samuels said.

"If I were the Antichrist, I would pick up a Bible and try my damndest to turn people away from God; which is what they succeeded in doing."

Jason Sheller, freshman undecided major, held a similar view.

"I totally disagree with their way about it," Sheller said. "They turned more people away with their way of going about it. It was a setback for Christianity today."

When a student questioned whether they were worried about turning people away, members of the evangelists' support group did not seem concerned.

"That's no big deal," Leon Stump, pastor of the Victory Christian Center, said. "They were totally turned off by Jesus. It may have turned a person off, but how about the person's responsibility not to turn off and to listen. I know a few have been saved."

the counseling center, in Room 114 of Hearn Hall, or student services, in Room 211 of the Billingsly Student Center. Nominations must be submitted by Friday, Nov. 22.

Although this is the first year Phi Eta Sigma has presented the award, it plans to make it a tradition. How many will be awarded each year still is under discussion.

"We may want to expand the award into a monthly award," Doman said. "This is kind of a trial for the fall semester. Based on the response and our view on the process, we will decide how often we will present the award."

The recipient will be chosen by the Phi Eta Sigma executive committee board.

"We are looking at this to be a hard decision because the criteria of what the award is looking for is wide open," Doman said.

He said this is an appropriate award for Phi Eta Sigma to give.

"Anything that highlights the positive benefits everyone," he said. "There are always things we can complain about and these things need to be fixed, but good promotes good."

"Because Phi Eta Sigma is a scholastic society, our members are good students and often involved in other aspects of campus life, too. They saw a need for honoring people who are making a 'World of Difference' on campus."

Animals are club's interest

By P.J. GRAHAM
CAMPUS EDITOR

Fighting for animals' rights, whether by writing or demonstrating, is the objective of a group forming on campus.

"The group undoubtedly is very much a consciousness-raising organization," said Paul Hood, senior English major and group organizer. "That can mean anything from writing an editorial for a newspaper, writing letters to businesses or the government, setting up information booths, or going to demonstrations."

Hood would like to see the group be broad based so people who are not "radical" may participate without feeling left out.

"The group is for anyone interested in animal rights issues," he said. "It's not just for people radically involved in animal issues."

The group is collecting names of those interested in joining. There are now 15 signatures.

"And that is only [after collecting signatures] a few days," Hood said. "We really haven't been out on a membership drive yet."

The group needs a total of 20 before it can try to become an official campus organization. Hood said he sees no problem in reaching this goal.

When the group does become officially recognized, Hood said it will meet to find out exactly what the members are interested in.

"The people I've talked to are not really radical about the issue," he said. "They're concerned about animal experimentation, fur production; a lot of people see fur production as something unnecessary."

"There are a lot of different activities we can do."

According to Hood, some issue the club could consider include anti-fur demonstrations at local businesses, finding a way to protest cock-fighting, which is legal in Missouri, and other "blatant atrocities."

"I think most people would be surprised that cock-fighting is legal in Missouri," Hood said.

Hood, a member of Joplin's branch of People for Animal Welfare, does not know if the group will be affiliated with PAW. He said these decisions can be made by all the members at the first meeting.

"Once we actually have a meeting, we can check the demographics of opinions of the members," Hood said. "At that point, we can decide if we want to be a part of PAW or be our own separate organization."

Whatever the group decides, he would like to see it stay open to new ideas instead of developing a rigid program.

"I don't foresee the group having an established format," Hood said.

Though he said he does not know of a particular need for such a group in Joplin, he believes it will help the area.

"I think, considering how ingrained the abuses to animals are, any place can benefit from an animal rights group," Hood said.

Persons interested in the group may contact him at 624-5121.

"If they are interested in their child's education," she said, "they will make the effort to come down here."

Carlisle said another advantage of Family Day is to use it as a recruiting tool because it exposes students' younger siblings to the College.

Southern also will stage an open house from 9 a.m. to noon on Nov. 9. Campus offices are encouraged to stay open so parents may have their questions answered.

"We'll offer tours or we will have a list of offices open," said Doug Carnahan, director of student life. "It's been real successful in the past."

Family Day to provide familiarity

By P.J. GRAHAM
CAMPUS EDITOR

Families of students attending Missouri Southern will be given two chances to get to know the campus better.

"Family Day at Missouri Southern State College" will offer campus tours and a brunch with entertainment from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 9.

According to Val Carlisle, coordinator of student activities, Family Day is especially beneficial to the families of freshmen.

"This is the first chance your par-

ents get to come to campus [after registration]," she said. "Parents are curious about the way their children are living."

Family Day will begin with coffee and campus tours. Those participating in the tours must register in the second-floor lounge of the Billingsly Student Center.

After the tours, there will be a brunch from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. The brunch will cost \$6 for adults, \$3 for children, and is free to Southern students with meal stickers. Carlisle said past attendance has been good.

"We were very happy that [so

many] came out last year," she said. "There were several hundred."

Before last year, Family Day was held as part of Homecoming activities. Carlisle believes the change is an advantage.

"You just can't really do justice to both," she said. "Last year, very (families participating) were very enthusiastic. It was a nice, leisurely day."

Carlisle said brochures promoting the event were sent to families in early September in order to give them plenty of time to plan their participation. She said some families will travel long distances.

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UPCOMING EVENTS
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MO. SOUTHERN

Moscow Virtuosi presents a program of Mozart and Bach: 8 p.m. Wednesday; Taylor Auditorium; \$18, \$15; and \$10

DC Talk: rap and soul trio gives a Christian rock concert at 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 7; Taylor Auditorium; \$12.50, or \$11 for groups of 15 or more

Tulsa Ballet Theatre performs "The Nutcracker:" presented by Joplin Little Theatre; 7:30 p.m. Dec. 13-14; Taylor Auditorium; \$12, \$10, \$8

"Rome, 11 O'Clock": presented by the Missouri Southern Film Society; 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 12; Billingsly Student Center

Photospiva '91: an exhibit of 146 photographs by 91 artists; 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays, 2-5 p.m. Sundays; until Nov. 24

JOPLIN

Foreigner live in concert: presented by the new Z102.5 and KSNF-TV; 8 p.m. Saturday; Memorial Hall

Country music star Reba McEntire: with special guest "Restless Heart" for two shows; 5 and 9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 30; Memorial Hall; \$18.50

Tarzan Zerbini International Circus: 7:30 p.m. tomorrow, 2:30 and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, and 1:30 and 5:30 p.m. Sunday; Hammons Trade Center; adults \$8, children \$5;

SPRINGFIELD

"The Dreamer": Saturday; Stained Glass Theatre; 417-869-9018

Kenny Rogers: with special guests Eddie Rabbitt and Matraca Berg; 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 9; Hammons Center; \$18.50; 417-836-5774

Springfield Ballet presents Martha Graham Ensemble: 8 p.m. Nov. 15-16; Landers Theatre; 417-862-1343

TULSA

Gen. Norman Schwarzkopf: sponsored by OSU's College of Business Administration; 10:30 a.m. Wednesday; Tulsa Performing Arts Center; \$35; 405-744-5208

George Strait in concert: Saturday; Tulsa Convention Center; 918-596-7177

Agatha Christie's "The Mousetrap": Nov. 8-17; Williams Theatre, Tulsa Performing Arts Center; 918-587-8402

KANSAS CITY

Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art presents Introduction to African Art: 10:30-11:30 a.m. Saturdays through Nov. 16; \$15 for museum members, \$20 for non-members; 816-751-1239

Bob Dylan: 8 p.m. tomorrow; Midland Theater; 816-931-3330

Moscow Virtuosi: 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 7; Folly Theatre; 816-781-8250

Peter, Paul & Mary: 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 9 at Midland Theater; 816-931-3330

Barry Manilow: Nov. 12-13 at Midland Theater

Dan Fogelberg: 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 22 at Music Hall

ST. LOUIS

Award-winning play "Other People's Money:" tonight; Repertory Theatre of St. Louis

Award-winning star Randy Travis: with special guest Alan Jackson; Nov. 23; Fox Theatre; 314-652-5000

"The Trials of Brother Jero": a play by a Nigerian playwright; through Nov. 24; Black Repertory; 314-534-3807

MSTV adds show
'Southern Cooks' to premiere soon

By CRISTY SPENCER
STAFF WRITER

Something is cooking at Missouri Southern Television.

A new show, "Southern Cooks," is being taped at MSTV and may air soon.

The show is part of a class assignment for Mike Coonrod, producer. "Part of an Advanced Television Production class is to produce a show, and this is what I came up with," he said.

Guests on the show include Pam Madole from Creative Kitchen, who

probably appeal to an older audience because she is going to show how to prepare meatless dishes and maybe show how to cut down on cholesterol and things like that.

"The junior high students was just kind of a 'snacks that kids can fix for themselves' show. So it's somewhere in that range that they will try to do something for everybody to enjoy."

Likewise, Coonrod hopes to offer something more than just American cuisine with shows such as the one featuring Khalifeh.

"I would like to do some more cultural foods," he said. "I have ap-

"The idea was that there might be a little something for everybody. The dietitian would probably appeal to an older audience because she is going to show how to prepare meatless dishes."

—Mike Coonrod, producer of 'Southern Cooks'

demonstrates cake decoration; a junior high home economics instructor who brings along some of her students; Cyrus Khalifeh, chef at Ardy's Creek Restaurant in Joplin; a dietitian from St. John's Regional Medical Center; and Kim Caristi, wife of Dr. Dom Caristi, assistant professor of communications.

After each taping, those working on "Southern Cooks" make sure the finished product does not go to waste.

"The crew consumes it," Coonrod said.

With the wide variety of guests, he hopes the show will appeal to everyone.

"The idea was that there might be a little something for everybody," Coonrod said. "The dietitian would

proached a couple of others (foreign chefs), but I haven't had any definite response from them yet."

The decision whether to air the new show will come from the MSTV board.

"They decide if it is appropriate and up to par with their standards," Coonrod said. "It's completely up to them, but if they pass it, yes, the show will air."

Although the show was created as a class assignment, if it airs it may continue long after Coonrod receives a grade.

"It depends on what kind of reaction we get to it," he said. "I know that some that have been done in the past are generally kept so they can be rerun. These may be on the air after I have graduated."

Farce challenges, affirms theatre talent
Performers respond well to test

By ANGIE STEVENSON
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Southern Theatre was challenged by last week's presentation of *Black Comedy*.

The cast had before it quite a list of obstacles to overcome. Not the mere memorization of lines, not the simple combat of nerves—this production required execution of foreign accents and the added task of learning to move about in the dark.

Black Comedy, a farce by renowned British playwright Peter Shaffer (*Amadeus*), opens with a dark stage. But to the characters, dark is light and light is dark. Confusing? Not really, thanks to the direction of Dr. Jay Fields. For the most part, the cast clears this up quite effectively through its actions.

When a fuse in the apartment building is blown, the lights come on (remember light is dark). The audience is given special vision to see, while the characters feel and grope aimlessly about the set.

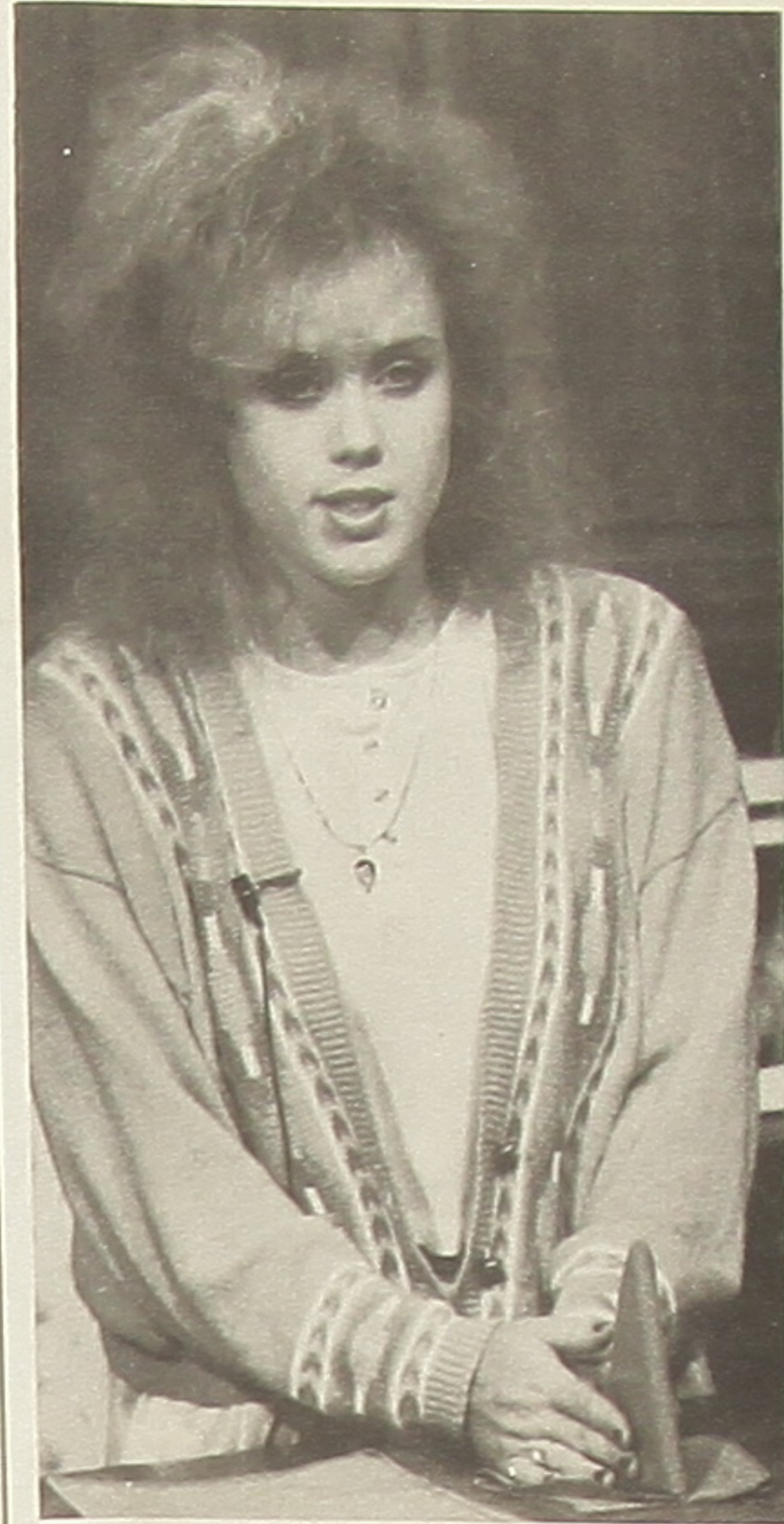
This is when the confusion (and fun) begins. Brindley Miller (Brett McDowell, senior speech and drama education major) is an aspiring artist who is expecting two important visitors that evening. He is to meet his fiancée's father, and a millionaire is coming to view his sculptures.

McDowell, who stole the show in last year's production of *The Menachmi* and saved *The Conundrum*, promised good things for this production. He did deliver laughs; his tripping and falling about the stage rivaled that of Chevy Chase or John Ritter ("Three's Company's" Jack Tripper). He mastered the British accent well and was a favorite of the audience.

Brin's fiancée, the debutante Carol Melkett (Melissa Butler, freshman pre-physical therapy major), had about as much character as a plastic Barbie doll. If that was Shaffer's intent, Butler's frozen expressions were the perfect complement. But the accent needed work.

Next enters neighbor Miss Fumival (Victoria Goff, senior theatre major). Goff did a wonderful job with this character, who, not usually one to drink, gets a Scotch by mis-

WHAT'S COOKING



Donna Edwards, freshman communications major, demonstrates creative napkin folding in a taping of MSTV's "Southern Cooks."

take in the darkness. Her drunken antics were some of the funniest of the play.

Carol's father, Colonel Melkett (Stephen Williamson, freshman undecided major), is a typical well-to-do stern figure who does not agree with his daughter's taste in men. Williamson plays the part fairly effectively, but his makeup was somewhat distracting. It was clearly evident that his wrinkles were painted on.

The makeup of Harold Gorringer (Pat Worley, sophomore theatre major), on the other hand, was beautifully done, as was his costuming (designed by Cindy Henry, senior theatre education major). Worley, who gave an exaggeratedly dramatic performance in the year's first offering, *The Shadow Box*, turned around in *Black Comedy* to give the best performance of the play. Worley was both funny and somehow likeable in his role as Brin's rich, homosexual neighbor.

The appearance of Brin's supposedly ex-girlfriend, Clea (Stephanie Cain, senior theatre major), spices up the plot considerably. The character was saucy and mischievous; Cain conveyed this well. We couldn't wait for Brin to dump the boring

debutante and stick with Clea.

The electrician, Schuppanzigh (John Kerney, junior speech and drama education major), is a cute character—nothing more, nothing less—at least in Kerney's portrayal. The name and script imply this is a German character. Kerney's version of the accent was something close to Chinese.

Finally, the appearance of the millionaire Bamberger (Lawrence Alford, junior speech and drama education major) hints that the mess is coming to a close. Costuming here was a problem. Alford's look was totally unbelievable as a deaf, old man. He was swallowed alive by his costume like a kid on Halloween.

Unbelievability, in fact, was the downfall of the production. True, this was written as a farce, but it failed to draw us in and make us forget we were watching a play. The most believable performances were given by Worley and Cain; both did fine jobs in not trying too hard to coax laughs.

Technical aspects seemed sound. Set design for *Black Comedy* was appropriate. Lighting design was effective—not a cue was missed when dim lights were needed to simulate a lit match.

Jazz in Joplin provides 'American art form'

By CRISTY SPENCER
STAFF WRITER

Jazz in Joplin is giving the area an opportunity to experience "the only American art form" as it brings Powerhouse One to the Missouri Southern campus Sunday.

Robert Meeks, Jazz in Joplin board member, said while other art forms enjoyed in this country have origins elsewhere, jazz is American born and bred.

Jazz in Joplin is an organization that was created about a year ago

"for the purpose of promoting the preservation of jazz." Every year, it sponsors a series of concerts to do just that.

Powerhouse One is the final concert for the 1991 season, following performances by groups from Pittsburgh, Las Vegas, and Kansas City.

Steve Wilkerson created Powerhouse One, a jazz quintet, in 1975. He is the leader of the Los Angeles-based group and performs on the alto-saxophone. His wife, Andrea Bak, does the vocals for the group. Its music also includes piano, bass,

and drums.

Meeks said the turnout for these events is on the rise.

"It's getting larger and larger and larger," he said.

Audiences usually consist of older adults. Meeks attributes this to the type of music jazz is.

"Jazz is more of a thinking person's music than dancing," he said. However, people of all ages are encouraged to attend.

Cecie Fritz, Jazz in Joplin president, said everyone would benefit from being exposed to the music.

Lion literary adviser, said the upcoming issue is scheduled for release in early May. Published annually, *The Winged Lion* is scheduled for 44 pages.

Wecker said the number of submitted entries "varies a lot" from year to year.

Dworkin believes the entries may increase this year.

"We may get more submissions than in past years," she said, "if students realize the entries are not limited."

Art entries will be accepted in any size or medium. However, it is requested that poems and short story submissions not exceed three pages.

"Any live performance is so important," Fritz said. "What makes jazz so special is that it is an instant creation. What they do will never be done the same way again."

The concert is set for 2:30 p.m. Sunday in Taylor Auditorium. Advanced tickets are \$10 at Ernie Williamson Music in Joplin. Tickets will be available at the door for \$12.50, and children 12 and under are free when accompanied by a paying ticketholder. Fritz says Jazz in Joplin will announce its 1992 concert lineup at Sunday's performance.

Past art entries have included water colors, jewelry, graphics, painting, photography prints, ceramics, mixed media, and charcoal. Student judges will select the best entries for publication.

"Last year, from the English department, we got 50 [submissions]," Wecker said. "Usually 25-30 are published."

She said there also is a misconception that *The Winged Lion* is published for the English department.

"The main thing we are rooting for this year is the participation of the entire campus," Wecker said. "We would like anyone from any field to submit their creative work."

Icelandic pianist to play here

By LORI CLEVENGER
STAFF WRITER

Renowned in Iceland and other Scandinavian countries, Anna Sigurdardottir-Berkofsky has planned her first recital in the United States to be at Missouri Southern.

Sigurdardottir-Berkofsky, piano teacher and performer from Iceland, will perform at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 14 in Taylor Auditorium. She will be playing Bach Toccata in D major, Beethoven Sonata Op.2 no.3, Chopin impromptu Op.36 and Ballade Op.47, and Liszt's Sarmonies Du Soir, Isolfsson, Op.5.

"They are all so nice; they are all my favorite, really," she said.

Sigurdardottir-Berkofsky received her first musical education at the Music School of Isafjordur in Iceland. At the age of 19, she went on to the Guildhall School of Music and Drama in London. After graduating in 1971 as a performer and teacher, she studied for an additional three years under Professor Brigitte Wild.

In 1974, Sigurdardottir-Berkofsky returned to Akureyri, Iceland, and started teaching and performing. However, her real performing career began when she moved to Reykjavik, Iceland and became a member of the Reykjavik Chamber Ensemble. Here, she also was a featured soloist in the Icelandic Symphony Orchestra. Her tours have taken her to Sweden, Norway, Denmark, and the Faeroe Islands.

She met Martin Berkofsky, Southern's artist in residence, in Iceland in 1978 and they married in 1982. After their marriage, they lived in Iceland for about five years and Turkey for three-and-a-half years. The two traveled to Germany together and performed a concerto for two pianos by Bruch.

After living in Turkey, the Berkofskys moved to the U.S. last summer. Sigurdardottir-Berkofsky says she is still adjusting to the new culture.

"I can tell you what strikes me most—it's the affluent wealth, it's the abundance of goods that you have here in the United States. You don't see that in other countries."

Sigurdardottir-Berkofsky is proud of several accomplishments. Her first performance of Beethoven's Third Concerto was a "very happy occasion," and "the first time to play with an orchestra is a great feeling." If she had to choose, she said performing with her husband in Germany probably was her most memorable event.

Sigurdardottir-Berkofsky has been practicing four to eight hours per day for her upcoming recital. Her main purpose is to portray the ideas and feelings of the composers.

"What a performer really has to do is be a link between the composer and the audience. I try to give the right idea of each work by each composer," she said.

She does not think each person will feel the same way.

"You try as honestly as you can to portray what you think is inside this music, and then it's up to each person in the audience to respond to that," she said. "There is no uniformity about how the persons are going to react to the same thing that I do."

When Sigurdardottir-Berkofsky is not practicing for a performance, she plays for enjoyment as well to learn more about the abundant piano repertoire.

"I sight-read for relaxation and to increase my knowledge of the piano repertoire. It's exciting to get to know it and enjoy it without having to practice to the perfection of the concert level," she said.

Her last concert was in May, so it has been a few months since she has performed.

"You always feel you can do more, so you never feel that you are ready," she said.

Magazine accepting submissions

By BRYAN MEARES
STAFF WRITER

Beginning its third decade, *The Winged Lion* is now accepting submissions for the upcoming issue.

Missouri Southern's arts and literature magazine has been showcasing students' work since 1971.

Jennie Wecker, senior English major, said the magazine is accepting several types of entries, including artwork, short story, and poetry.

"We're looking for original poetry or prose or whatever the students create and want to submit," she said.

Dr. Joy Dworkin, *The Winged*

Said Dworkin, "We want to make it clear that this is really a campus-wide publication. We want the students from all parts of the campus to feel free to submit."

Literary submissions may be left in the English department, Room 300 of Hearn Hall. Students may leave their work in Dworkin's mailbox.

Submissions should include name, address, phone number, and major for accreditation purposes. Early submissions are given more consideration than later ones. The deadline for literature is Jan. 31.

Art entries may be submitted to Dave Noble.

Graves preserve the past

By **BRYAN MEARES**
STAFF WRITER

The cemetery where a pioneer and founder of Joplin is buried soon may become a historical site.

Plans to make the 1.4-acre Colleen Belk Memorial/John C. Cox Pioneer Cemetery into a point of historical interest are being discussed.

Commitments for maintenance and upkeep are expected from three groups: the Joplin Historical Society, the Jasper County Historical Society, and the Joplin Genealogical Society.

Marvin Van Gilder, a local historian, said he is confident plenty of volunteers will be available for the project.

"We anticipate a lot of volunteer work, but the city of Joplin will be removing undergrowth for a time," he said.

Van Gilder said although much of the preliminary work will be done by the city, upkeep and alterations will be tackled by volunteers.

Alterations would include installation of lighting and construction of an adjacent parking lot.

"Installing lighting is tentatively part of the plan," he said. "There is adequate city-owned property that can be used as parking nearby."

A potential problem to be dealt with is the reaction of neighborhood residents.

"We will also have to address the subject of the impact upon the neighborhood," Van Gilder said.

John C. Cox, an early pioneer considered the founder of Joplin, settled on the land in 1838. Mindy Apfel, his great-granddaughter, still lives on his original homestead and owns the cemetery land.

"John Cox buried his 17-year-old son here in 1856, and he was the first one," she said.

The cemetery is significant be-

RECOVERING JOPLIN'S PAST



John C. Cox was a founder and one of the first residents of Joplin. The cemetery on his homestead will be turned into a historical site.

cause it is one of the oldest in the region. It is a closed, however, and no longer allows burials.

"My great uncle closed it in about 1935. Because it was a free-will cemetery, they were starting to bury vagrants and paupers who didn't have a family," Apfel said. "They would bury them without markers."

Though many graves remain un-

accounted for, the contents of the cemetery are at least partially known.

"There are a lot of babies buried back there," Apfel said. "There is a set of twins, a gentleman who was shot on Main Street, and there is an Indian scout."

"There are at least five or six Civil War victims buried that are marked, but we feel there are more back

there that are unmarked," she said. Apfel estimates there are about 85 marked graves in the cemetery.

Colleen Belk, for whom the cemetery also is named, was a genealogist from Carthage. She devoted much of her life to gathering information from tombstones and compiling volumes of tombstone inscriptions.

"Our dream and hope is the Joplin Historical Society, the Genealogy Society, and the Jasper County Historical Society will work together and gather donations to help keep it cleaned out," Apfel said.

"The city has volunteered to clean it out, and we hope from now on we can get volunteers and donations in a trust fund to keep it up," she said.

Community development office releases CHAS plan

Strategy qualifies city for federal dollars

By **JOHN HACKER**
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

With an eye toward providing housing for all Joplin residents, the Community Development Council released its Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS) at the Oct. 21 meeting of the City Council.

The strategy was prepared by the Council in compliance with requirements of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

"All agencies or governments at different levels must develop a CHAS in order to get federal dollars," said

Phil Pumphrey, planning technician for Joplin. "Every community that receives HUD dollars has to create a plan."

CHAS consists of three major parts: a community profile outlining housing and population statistics, a five-year strategy identifying what federal programs and funds are available, and a one-year plan specifying and clearly defining the programs and resources available to assist the community.

This is not the first time the community development office has developed a plan such as this, but this is the most detailed plan it has have had to come up with, Pumphrey said.

"In the past, we have had what is called a housing assistance plan which is similar to the CHAS in a lot of ways," he said. "This new document goes way beyond what the former did."

The amount of federal money involved is quite large, Pumphrey said.

"It's a substantial amount, but I really can't give you a clear dollar figure because these programs and the funding levels are all still up in the air," he said. "The money that is available will probably be in the multi-millions."

The programs identified in the CHAS can provide assistance to several different classifications of disadvantaged people.

"There are programs that make

funds available for the very low income families, but it's mainly geared toward rent subsidies for the elderly, the mentally retarded, and the developmentally disabled," Pumphrey said. "They also help with rehabilitation of old existing houses for low-income families."

The money comes from federal coffers but is distributed by the states.

"The money flows to the states, and the states themselves have a formula, usually based on population and need in the area," he said.

After the money reaches the communities, a number of organizations and individuals have a hand in deciding how it is spent.

"Basically, how the money is spent

is a joint decision between [the Community Development] office and the City Council," he said.

Although the CHAS has been presented to the City Council, HUD has the final say in the plan's approval.

"It's good for the City Council to see it and put their seal of approval on it, but ultimately it's HUD that has to approve it," Pumphrey said.

Although the plan has been developed and is being scrutinized by the public, the City Council, and HUD, the Community Development office will continue to update it.

"It's a good document but this is the first time we've done anything like this and I'm sure there are holes in it and we'll be continually refining it."

Frankie's re-opens in Joplin

□ **Rodeo/From Page 1**

for the animals."

Another concern raised by Hood is injury accountability.

"I don't know if there is some sort of monitoring being done," he said, "except by rodeo members and supporters."

Belveal said participants should be able to assume the risk.

"I would think that if somebody is of the age, then they would be accountable to themselves," he said.

Hood said he is against the Rodeo Club receiving any money from the Senate.

"With the College and the Student Senate strapped for finances, and the Rodeo Club asking for \$1,000 to support a select minority of students," he said, "this does not bring general benefits to the campus."

Belveal said the College can benefit from the Rodeo Club.

"This has the potential to bring students to MSSC," Belveal said, "because very few colleges in the state offer a rodeo team."

Belveal said while animals might be injured at a rodeo, injuries can be prevented.

"I believe animals can suffer (at

rodeos)," he said. "I also believe I can walk across the street and be hit by a car. We just take precautions to make sure the injuries and accidents are kept at a very minimum."

According to Belveal, the rodeo school in Webb City could help prevent injuries.

"The school will teach Southern students the basics of riding, both bare-back and saddle-back riding," he said. "The main purpose is to teach kids the basics of what is going on. This prevents injuries to them and to the animals."

"The seminar will deal with the business part and motivational part of the rodeo."

The sessions will be conducted by several nationally known speakers and rodeo representatives, including Lyle Sankey, national rodeo speaker; Danny Herschburger and Sam Minnie, two professional cowboys; and Joni Johnson of the Women's Professional Rodeo Association. Johnson will conduct sessions for women.

"She will be teaching them about barrel racing—the techniques and style," Belveal said, "and also more about care for horses."

including Ronnie Milsap, Johnny Lee, Ernest Tubb, Paul Harvey, Peter Lawford, and Dr. Hook. Their pictures were displayed in the foyer of Frankie's Bar B-Q.

Three years ago, Fenix sold his restaurant and moved to Key West, Fla.

"I wanted to retire for a while. I thought I wanted to live in Florida," he said. "But I missed Joplin and my friends."

Fenix is back in Joplin remodeling

a new location. He will be opening Frankie's Full-Service Bar B-Q and Lounge. Plans are not final, but he hopes to open soon.

"I'm going to start another business like I had before," Fenix said. "I welcome all my old customers and friends back and hope to see them."

He wants to make people aware of his restaurant, which will be located at 2803 Range Line in the old T-Bird's building.

The dining room, which will seat

240 people, includes a private lounge that can accommodate 50 people. Fenix said he will have room for private parties as well.

The menu will feature barbecue, gourmet, and deli sandwiches.

"The salad and the ribs will be exactly the same [as before]," Fenix said. "Everything from A to Z will be a duplicate of the old menu."

Frankie's Full Service Bar B-Q and Lounge will serve lunch from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through

Friday.

Dinner will be served from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

"I see that Joplin has grown," Fenix said. "Some food places are new."

"Key West has a great variety of restaurants which are not only seafood, as you might expect. Being the melting pot of the United States, you find every type of cuisine: Greek, Cuban, Oriental, and others."

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BORN TO TEACH



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Judy Dixon, lecturer of education, plays a history quiz game with students at North Middle School, where she teaches afternoons part-time. This is Dixon's first year of teaching at the college level.

Dixon: I'm on a mission

Education lecturer claims she was born to teach

By KIRBY FIELDS
CHART REPORTER

Judy Dixon does not know what her title means.

"Lecturer of education," she says reflectively. "Some people are doctors. Some people are professors. I'm a lecturer. I think it's like my rank."

She leans back in her chair and refocuses her attention.

"I know what I do. I teach techniques in reading. I try to upgrade people's reading skills by improving their comprehension and increasing their rate so they can pass classes like history and psychology."

After having taught enrichment classes in Neosho and at Joplin's North Middle School for 13 years, this is her first year teaching at the college level. She claims she was "born" to teach.

"I've known I wanted to teach ever since the first grade," she says. "I think people are born teachers sometimes. I know it sounds crazy,

but I'm on a mission."

Thus far her mission has not led her astray. Her opportunity to work with enrichment students led to her hobby, genealogy, which has produced a book.

"I made an assignment one night for my enrichment students to research their family history and decided it would only be fair if I did it, too."

The Mosely/Taylor Book is about one side of her parents' heritage.

"I never planned to write a book; it just sort of happened. I had it printed privately and sold it to relatives at the cost of printing, so I broke even," she says with a shrug. "No dollar amount could cover the time I put into it."

Along with inspiring her to write a book, her experiences with enrichment students have helped her develop as a teacher.

"It's a real challenge for me to keep ahead of them. It takes a special kind of person to work with them, one who won't be threatened.

"It's all right if they're brighter than I am," she said. "You have got to get them on your side and offer them an opportunity to expand their knowledge. If you do it right, you may end up expanding your own knowledge as well."

She sees real educational drive in her enrichment students but fears greatly for the future of education. She lays most of the responsibility on the parents.

"You cannot teach in a classroom where the discipline is unbelievable," she says with a sudden stir of sternness. "We need some support from the parents to make sure school work gets done. There is no respect in the classroom."

Regardless of its future, teaching is all Dixon wants to do.

"Whenever you teach, you always have minor goals. The students usually reach them, and then you reset your goals. You don't ever find a plateau. You can't just sit back and rest of your laurels.

"I'll probably teach forever."

'Pioneering spirit' motivates professor

Schellenger enjoys caving, hiking

By JENNIFER RUSSELL
CHART REPORTER

It is the "pioneering spirit" that motivates Jerry Schellenger's hobby of spelunking.

"I think that it's an area (caves) that hasn't seen too many humans," the assistant professor of psychology said. Schellenger, though, stresses

that caving is strictly an amateur hobby.

"I don't want people calling me to rescue a person from a cave," he said jokingly.

As a small child, Schellenger discovered a cave on his grandmother's property in Waynesville. He recently purchased that piece of land when he moved to Missouri from Houston.

Aside from caving, Schellenger has a variety of other interests. Hiking and backpacking are among his hobbies, as well as golfing and bicycling. When he lived in Houston, he would hop on his Honda Hawk motorcycle for weekend excursions to various towns in Texas. A favorite trip was to crawfish festivals in the Houston area.

The spirit of "going where no man has gone before" affects his personal life as well.

"My long-term goal is to relate moral decision making to moral behavior and maybe develop some tools to focus on moral techniques—something that has not yet been achieved," Schellenger said.

He also believes that adolescents lack adult guidance and are allowed to form their own value systems.

"Children and adolescents need adults' guidance, and they are not getting it to the extent that they did in the past. [This society] has a 'do your own thing' attitude, and everyone got caught up in that," he said.

Opportunities do exist for psychology majors, but bachelor's degrees in the field are "practically worthless," according to Schellenger.

"The industrial-organizational psychologists make more money on the average," he said. "It is closely related with marketing, business, and the government."

Clinical psychology, he said, is more for those who want self-re-

ward, and he said experimental psychology is more the "industrial design" area of the field.

Schellenger, who avoided making direct judgments about the area, did say, however, that Joplin is quite different than Houston.

"Most people are dedicated to their jobs, and most students seem interested in learning. [Unlike Houston], the whole community is friendly," he said.

Receiving his bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Houston, Schellenger said he must return to "defend" his dissertation to complete his doctorate. He says his alma mater is a research university with a "publish or perish" philosophy, and Southern is a good alternative for him.

"[Southern] is more concerned with students than with cranking out research," he said. "At research universities, the quality of instruction suffers."

"I'm here to teach, and the students are here to learn, but I want the students to enjoy it," Schellenger said. "It's a learning process, not just a grading process."

Feedback from students pleases him. He says it is like laughter a comedian receives from a good joke.

"I know I'm reaching them (the students)," he said. "I hope they are stimulated to think by the questions I ask. To me, that is more meaningful and rewarding than any plaque."



Susan Felker

Felker sews, paints

By P.A. AYOTTE
CHART REPORTER

Getting a better opportunity to do an old job has brought Susan Felker to Missouri Southern.

"I already knew some of my co-workers," she said. "And the benefits here are great."

Felker, 45, is the new admissions secretary who started her job during the first week of August.

"I've been doing secretarial work for many years," she said. "I enjoy meeting and talking to people, and I like to type."

She was a secretary for the now-defunct *In Joplin!* magazine, and served in the same capacity for KMOQ radio prior to accepting her position at Southern.

"Everyone here has been so nice," she said. "The students seem to real-

ly want to learn, and they are so friendly."

Being a secretary is not all that this wife and mother knows how to do, however.

"I owned my own business for about a year," Felker said. "It was a sewing and alteration shop called the Nimble Thimble."

She presently has a craft booth inside of the Connie's Antique Mall on north Range Line.

"I still enjoy sewing and crocheting," she said. "I make all kinds of baby items like booties, stuffed animals, and things like that."

When she has free time Felker enjoys oil painting as well.

"I paint mostly landscapes and nature," she said. "I think the man who has the painting show on PBS is amazing. He could teach anyone to paint."



Jerry Schellenger

Professor brings international experience to Southern classes

By DAWN ADAMSON
STAFF WRITER

Migration of people from the South Pacific to Hawaii and California led the U.S. to open 21 schools in 1968. As a result, Dr. Cameron Pulliam was sent to the village of Fiti Uta in Samoa.

During his two years in the village, Pulliam served as principal of a school of about 170 students. This school, the first in the village, was to teach English and expose the villagers to the cultural background of

the United States.

"The people were gracious, extremely kind, and got along with each other extremely well," Pulliam said. "There were no jails on our islands, no orphanages, no old-folks homes. Everyone had a place in society."

Samoans valued their education highly, Pulliam said. There were no drop-outs or discipline problems. The Samoans were eager to learn and would not disgrace their families.

"While I was there, I developed a very deep affection for the Samoan people and the old Samoan ways,"

Pulliam said. "I got a real close-up and personal look at the old Polynesian culture."

Teaching has led to his involvement with the Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development (ASCD). He is executive secretary of Missouri's affiliate.

The ASCD is directed toward helping teachers teach more effectively. Pulliam has a strong interest in seeing curriculum in schools improve. His duties involve such things as supervising publications, assisting with state conventions, and helping new officers learn and perform jobs.

"You get to meet the people that are on the cutting edge of all levels of education," Pulliam said.

Southern became part of his life "strictly out of good fortune," he said. "This is kind of like a dream come true for me."

After 30 years, Pulliam planned to retire from the public school system. Southern had a full-time job opening, and this is where he has been since the fall of 1990.

"I love it. This is a great place. My first impression is that the student body is very serious about getting an education. There are many high expectations of the students."

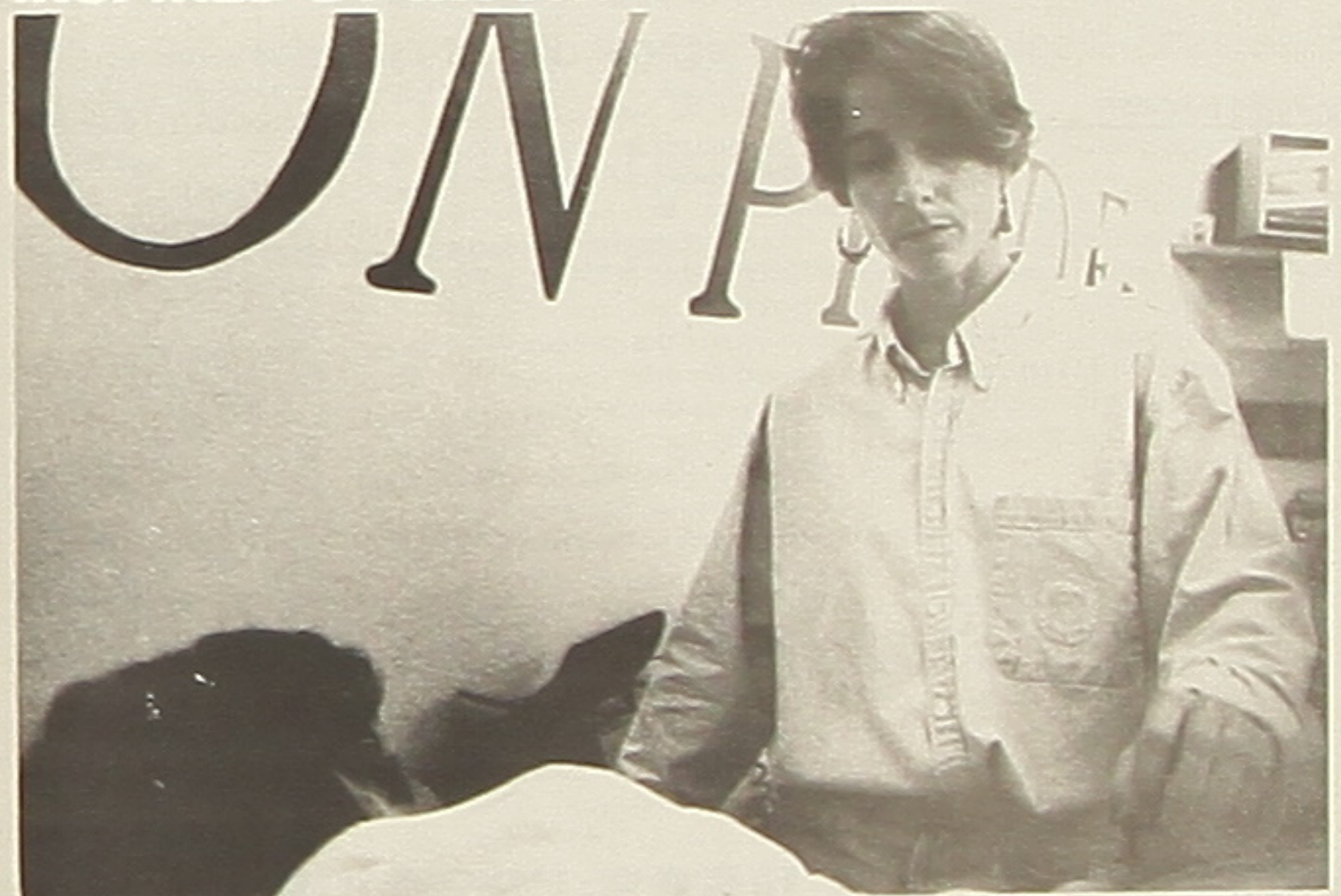
Teaching is Pulliam's "first love." He wants to teach at Southern many more years.

"I want to learn to be a better teacher," he said.

Pulliam received his bachelor's degree from Grand Canyon University and his master's and doctorate from the University of Missouri.

Last year, Pulliam and his wife bought a 20-acre "farmette" just south of Mt. Vernon. His wife, Dr. Deborah Pulliam, is a consultant for the IBM Corporation. Pulliam displays a picture of his daughter, 2, in his office. He also has two older children from a previous marriage.

INSPIRED BY INJURY



CHRIS COX/The Chart

Jean Hobbs, assistant athletic trainer, works with a student. Hobbs is a Missouri Southern graduate.

Hobbs returns to College after eight years

By MITCH SAULSBERRY
CHART REPORTER

Personal experiences in sports medicine caused Jean Hobbs, assistant athletic trainer and wellness coordinator, to return to Missouri Southern.

"I was a basketball player in high school, but because of injuries to my knee I had to give it up," Hobbs said. "Because of two knee surgeries, I then became interested in sports medicine."

Hobbs has returned to the College after an eight-year absence. She received her start in sports medicine at Southern, serving as the head student trainer from 1981-83.

"Kevin Lampe is the person who

influenced me to go into sports medicine," Hobbs said. "I looked up to him as a trainer because he knew a lot about sports medicine and was very experienced at his position."

Hobbs worked with Marty Conklin, now the head trainer, while she was a student at Southern. She now finds herself working with Conklin again as his assistant.

"I enjoy working with Marty. We've been good friends for a long time," she said.

Hobbs graduated from Southern with a B.S. degree in physical education. She received her master's degree in physical education from Baylor University.

This is not the first job Hobbs has had in sports medicine. For two

years she was a fitness specialist at the Dr. Kenneth Cooper Aerobics Activity Center in Dallas.

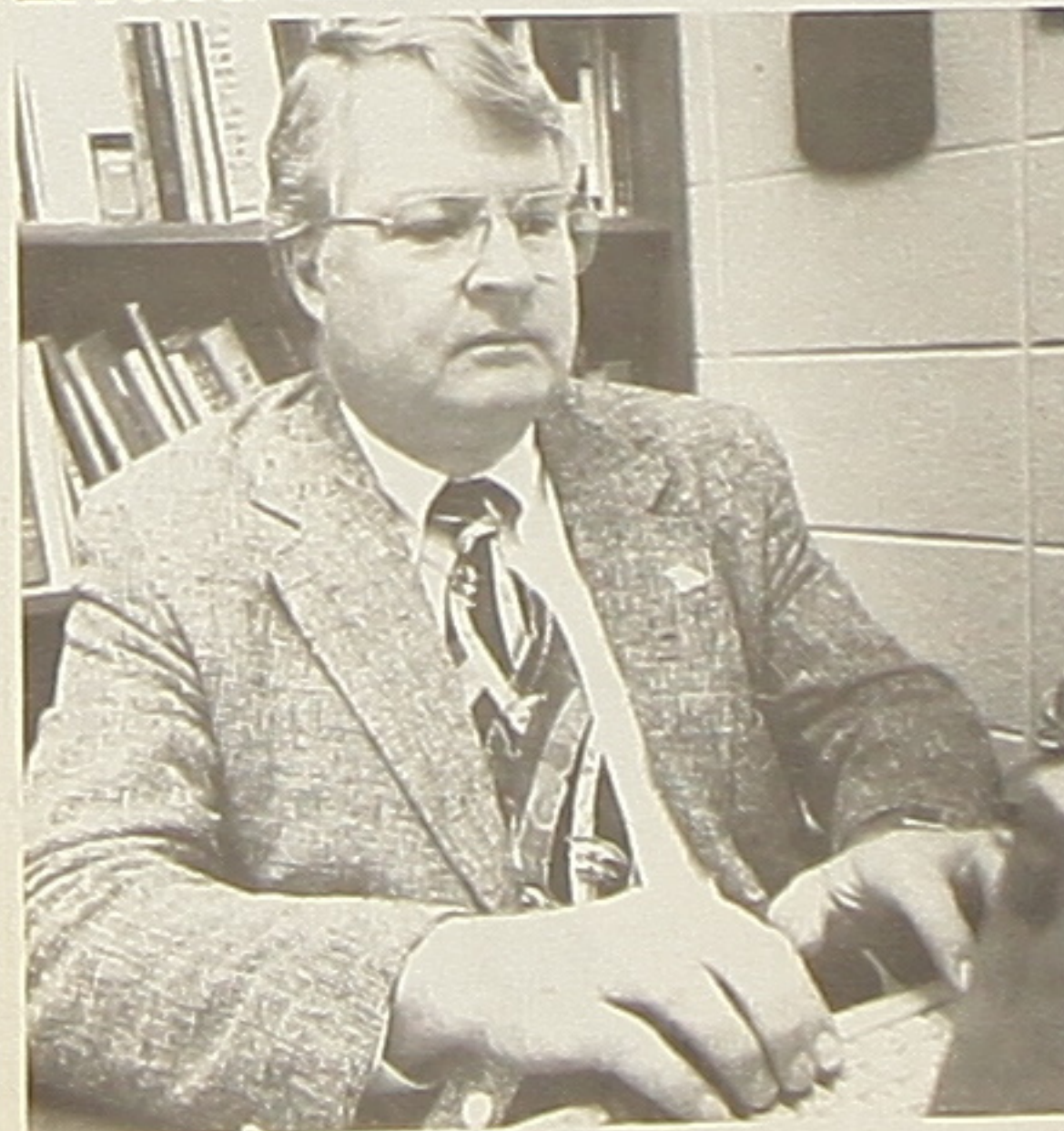
On her return to Missouri Southern, she finds that many things have changed.

"Southern has really grown since I've been gone," she said. "There are a lot more athletes who are better than before and with a better quality program."

Besides working in sports medicine, Hobbs has taught biology and coached basketball, volleyball, and track. She says her major accomplishment was becoming a teacher.

"I feel a sense of accomplishment when my students graduate from high school and go to college," she said.

LIVING A DREAM



CHAD HAYWORTH/The Chart

Dr. Cameron Pulliam, assistant education professor, says teaching is his first love. His job here, he said, is 'a dream come true.'

Four area school districts face deficits

Summer school puts Lamar in red

School districts with deficits

School district	Deficit	County
Jenkins 35	\$1,841	Barry
Lamar R-I	\$27,577	Barton
Braymer C-4	\$81,272	Caldwell
Bosworth R-V	\$135,224	Carroll
Wakenda C-2	\$28,815	Carroll
Northwestern R-I	\$25,505	Chariton
North Daviess R-III	\$80,353	Daviess
Dent-Phelps R-III	\$28,626	Dent
Ash Grove R-IV	\$121,923	Greene
Peace Valley C-II	\$16,481	Howell
Lafayette County C-I	\$77,095	Lafayette
Miller R-II	\$29,110	Lawrence
Verona R-VII	\$2,082	Lawrence
Winfield R-IV	\$93,273	Lincoln
Marquand R-VI	\$19,406	Madison
Marles County R-I	\$47,356	Maries
Morgan County R-I	\$175,898	Morgan
Jefferson C-123	\$27,706	Nodaway
Osage County R-III	\$139,418	Osage
Hancock Place	\$323,887	St. Louis
Normandy	\$600,070	St. Louis
Winona R-III	\$177,664	Shannon
Forsyth R-III	\$64,932	Taney
Houston R-I	\$76,081	Texas

Missouri districts with an overall deficit for the year ending June 30, 1991

District's deficit one of 24 in Mo.

By CHAD HAYWORTH
ASSISTANT EDITOR

In striving to best serve its students, the Lamar R-I School District incurred a \$27,577 deficit for the fiscal year ending June 30.

Lamar was one of 24 school districts in the state to finish 1990-91 with deficits in both its general and teacher funds.

"It was just a matter of the funding not flowing through when it was supposed to flow through," Superintendent Barbara Burns said. "We started a summer school program in a bad year, but we knew there was a need for it."

Burns said her district's budget, already cut to the bone, would suffer even more if Missouri voters defeat

Proposition B on Nov. 5.

"Instead of improving things, we might be doing just the opposite," she said. "We could have to reduce staff, freeze capital improvements, and charge a fee for extracurricular involvement."

"Out of 541 school districts in Missouri, we rank 514th in expenditures per student. That pretty well tells the story right there. There is not much fat to our budget; people around here get a lot for their tax dollars."

If Proposition B passes, Burns said class size reductions and capital improvements would top her list of priorities.

"We are a growing district," she said. "Our high school was built for 400, and in two years we will have over 450 high school students. We also need additional staff."

The district employs 104 certified staff members, including administrators, for 1,324 students. However, there are no assistant principals or assistant superintendents.

Lamar Elementary Principal Jan Van Gilder said in addition to reducing class sizes, she hoped to be able

to buy more educational supplies.

"It would be nice to be able to afford reading books for an entire class, instead of for half one year and half the next," she said. "We could get by with a book for a few more years, but if education is so important why should we have to?"

Although the district has put a salary freeze in effect and is not paying for any teachers to attend professional seminars, Van Gilder said morale remains high.

"We are fighting hard to maintain a positive attitude," she said, "because who is going to suffer if we don't? The children. My people are too professional to do that."

Burns said the district employees were doing a "tremendous" job.

"How can we continue to ask what we do of them and not expect it to affect them?" she asked. "And if it affects the teacher, then it most certainly will affect the students."

Van Gilder said calls for a maximum of 20 students per class do not seem feasible without additional money from the state.

"I don't understand how the governor can say we need 20 kids per

class, but they don't put any money into it," she said. "I'm constantly faced with class sizes of 30 or 32."

Kindergarten teacher Ann Chesnut said she would prefer 15-20 students rather than the 31 she has this year.

"Thirty-one is a lot to work with," she said. "But we do a lot of hands-on activities and I keep my room pretty structured, so we manage."

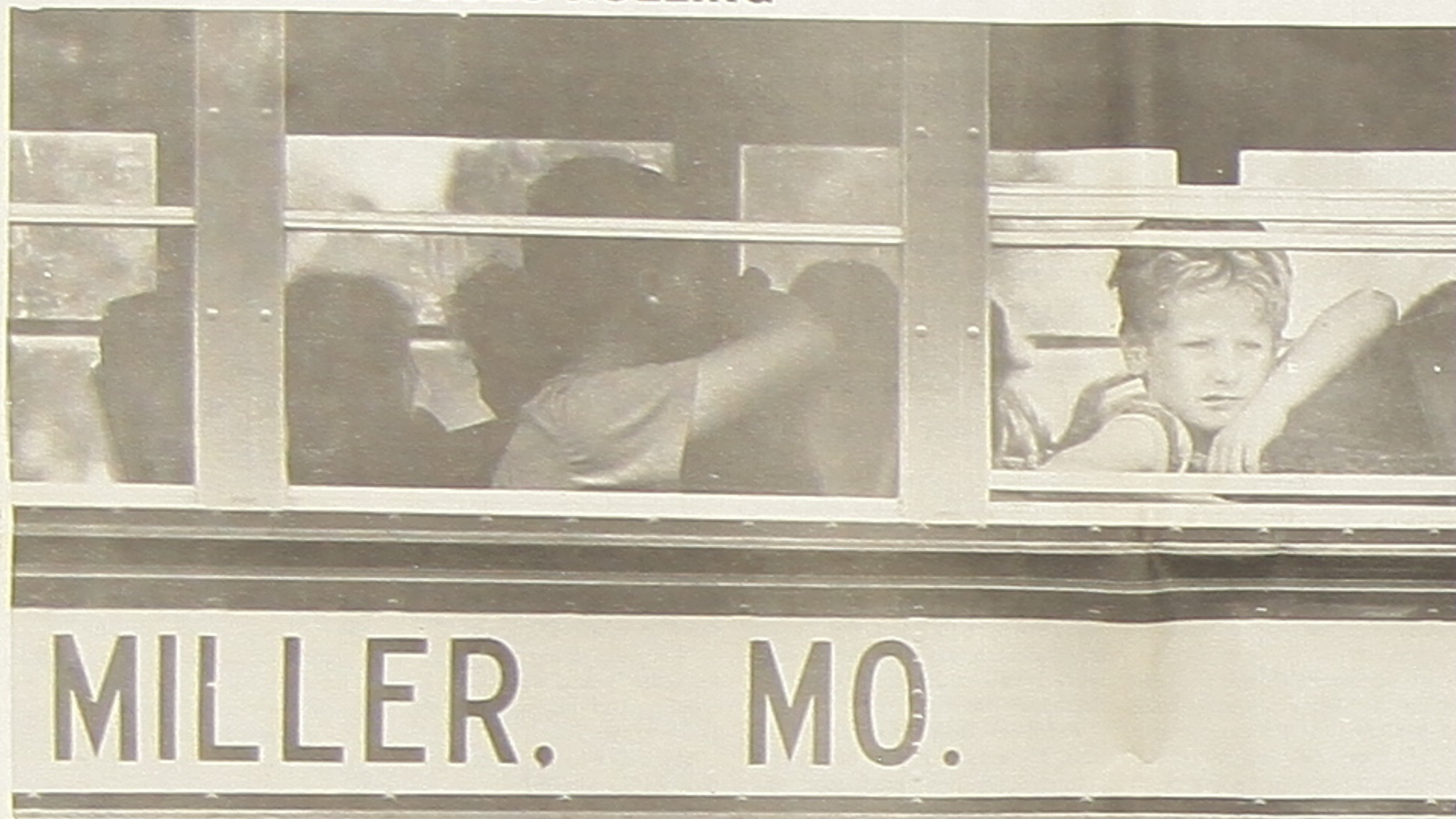
Burns said her district had been doing its best to inform area residents of the importance of Proposition B. However, the uncertainty of the funding formula has made it more difficult to sell.

"That is the fallacy of Prop B: not being able to tell your patrons how much money you will receive," she said. "But it is the only thing we have, and we need anything we can get."

"I think what I've seen is when the people understand Prop B, they feel better about it."

"I don't think it is that people don't want to fund education; they just don't trust the legislature with any more tax money."

KEEPING THE BUSES ROLLING



Miller R-II students wait for their bus to leave school at the end of the day. The busses are converted by the district to run on propane to reduce costs. Miller R-II serves the north half of Lawrence County and is one of 24 school districts who reported a deficit this year.

Jenkins reports \$12,500 shortfall this year

State audit predicts deficit for school district

By JOHN HACKER
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Under scrutiny by state auditors, Jenkins School District 35 is trying to recover from "critical straits."

An audit released Oct. 11 by state auditor Margaret Kelly said Jenkins would be \$12,500 in the red by the end of the school year if no additional funding is found.

The audit also pointed to some irregularities in the salary of the board's former secretary-treasurer and the way the school board handled construction of a \$179,887 gymnasium/classroom facility in 1988.

Despite these setbacks and recent funding cuts by the state, Pat Jines, Jenkins superintendent, is optimistic the district will remain open.

"Last year we were in critical straits, but we made lots of major cuts and the community voted for a 90-cent tax levy," Jines said. "I would have never been optimistic if the community hadn't rallied around, supported the board, and made an effort to correct the problems."

Jines said the school started this year with a balanced budget.

"It was a minor miracle, but our budget was balanced," she said. "Last year was my first year here, and I saw lots of waste and started making cuts."

Then came the \$71 million in state withholdings resulting from the Kansas City desegregation case.

"The head of the state department of finance told us to estimate, beginning in January, that we would lose \$3,800 per month," she said. "That's

over \$22,000 just for this fiscal year. Now where can a little school whose whole budget is under \$400,000 pull \$22,000? I don't know other than with Proposition B."

Jines said if Proposition B is approved, the school can last until the money starts coming in.

"The state has made the statement that they're not going to allow schools to continuously deficit spend," she said. "We probably could deficit spend this year, giving us enough time to get Proposition B money."

"Otherwise we're going to have to have some real good fund-raisers."

The school has made deep cuts just to make it this far, Jines said.

"We were afraid we would have to close last year if something didn't happen," she said. "But the community rallied around and voted for the levy."

"We have two grades per teacher.

we have made the bus routes as efficient as they can be, the cook does a daily accounting, and we have a totally volunteer sports program."

Jines said the community probably would not stand for any more cuts in school programs.

"I really think the community would rather disband the school than cut any more," she said. "We've cut everything we can cut."

The teachers at Jenkins say Proposition B is critical to the district's survival.

"I think the quality of education at this school is good, but to pay the bills we need Proposition B," said Irene Livingston, special education instructor. "We're going to need money from somewhere."

"That's all we have right now," said Edna Haynes, kindergarten instructor. "There is no alternative at this point; we need Proposition B."

Young: Miller schools not facing bankruptcy

By T.R. HANRAHAN
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

Reports of Miller R-II's impending death have been greatly exaggerated, according to the school district's chief.

Superintendent James Young said recent newspaper articles listing his district as one in financial crisis and a candidate for bankruptcy, while not inaccurate, are misleading.

"The state of Missouri took a little bit of financial figures and said these school districts are in trouble, going under, and going to close the doors," Young said. "No one from Jefferson City ever called me and said 'You have a deficit balance of \$29,000. There is a possibility you lost maybe \$82,000 in these recent cuts. That's more than \$100,000; are you going to be able to keep the doors open?'"

"They put it out that we were closing the doors. That concerns me because that gives the false impression that that is going to happen."

Young, however, that will not happen.

"That is absolutely not true," he said. "We are going to have a pretty good fund balance at the end of this year. Only because we have been planning for the last two years that these are some of the things that could happen."

Young also told *The Chart* that reports of Miller facing a deficit of \$29,110 were accurate but incomplete.

"That is correct," he said. "That was in the teachers fund and also in the incidental fund. We also had

some money in the building fund, but that doesn't count. In either case, at the end of this year we will end up with a \$40,000 balance to the good."

Young said prior planning over the course of several years helped the district survive.

"Two years ago, we started looking looking at our program," he said. "We made cuts in the non-certified. We started doing all the things that were necessary to keep the doors open."

"We went to the people, and we asked them for an increase in money. In order to do that, we cut back in our own personal staff as far as the non-certified and we increased our revenue through charging for athletic events."

Passage of Proposition B will not affect Miller one way or the other, Young said.

"School districts like us that are declining in enrollment may not receive any more money," he said. "In our case, we have been declining in enrollment for the last five years. Not substantially—maybe five to seven students per year—but it is still going down."

"If Proposition B goes through, the foundation formula will still likely be based on a per pupil basis."

Young also said it is difficult to project figures for a Proposition B-generated increase in funding for his district.

"I have not seen any projections yet about how much we might get," he said. "Of course, any increase is welcome."

"We are not closing our doors, though. If we were going under, I'd tell you that. I'd tell the people and the school board. Being up front is the only way you can maintain your credibility."

Verona R-VII uses reserves, goes into debt

By KAYLEA HUTSON
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CAMPUS EDITOR

Although the Verona R-VII School District officially ended the past fiscal year with a \$2,082 deficit, the debt was much greater.

"We ran \$27,000 in the red in our teacher's fund last year," said Leon Cunningham, superintendent. "The last two years we have been one of the 13 schools next to bankruptcy."

The district went into debt after it was forced to use its reserve fund, which had been accumulating over time.

"What happened is we had some reserve money, and we just spent a little bit out of that reserve," Cunningham said.

He said because of the deficit, it does not seem probable for the school to climb out of the growing

debt without the approval of Proposition B.

"Without Proposition B passing, we look at massive cuts in our system," he said. "So, Prop B in many respects is our life-blood. We need it just to balance back out again."

The district's financial problems increased when a state cut in education funding followed a 55-cent tax levy.

"We passed a bond levy to help recoup that loss and get us even with the board and begin to build some capital reserve," Cunningham said. "And the present [state] cuts amount to 59 cents, so we actually lost four cents after our public said 'Yes, we will support you.'"

The major problem Verona faces with the state cuts is not having the luxury of reducing expenditures like many other schools. The district, already at its bare minimum, is being forced to look to other funding sources.

"We have to go scrounge just about everything," Cunningham said. "We don't have the general funds to go out and buy equipment to do [scientific and mathematical] research."

Another problem facing the district is teachers' salaries. Cunningham said the present base salary for beginning teachers is \$14,700 per year. With additional funding from the state, the salaries reach \$18,000.

While a beginning teacher earns this, however, so does a teacher of longer standing. Cunningham said this does not appear to affect the teachers' willingness to work.

"Our people are willing to scrap, but we can't scrap for [general equipment] and salaries, too," he said. "Our people need to come first now."

"Our personnel, in my opinion, apparently are conceived by some as sweatshop laborers," he said. "In other words, how much can we get

out of them for what few dollars we can give them?"

In addition to purchasing supplemental items for their classrooms, teachers also help with the district's carnival sale. Cunningham himself teaches three evening computer classes, with the class fees received going toward updating the district's computer systems.

Teachers said the tax levy recently passed by the district is helping relieve some of the financial burden. They blame the recent problems on the state legislature.

"I believe the governor and his tax cuts are to blame, when there are no more dollars to cut," said Vicky Orr, high school publications instructor. "Plus, having to pay desegregation costs for one of the richest districts in the state."

"It's hard to keep putting things on patrons when nothing is coming from the state."

MAKING DO



Jennifer Harris, Verona High School junior, trims items to lay out a yearbook page. Verona's yearbook staff does not have any layout tables and must produce the book on regular classroom desks.

10 turnovers lead to 43-21 PSU win

Northwest coach thought Southern was 'unbeatable'

By RON FAUSS
STAFF WRITER

After suffering their first conference defeat, the football Lions will look to get back on track against Northwest Missouri State at 1 p.m. Saturday.

The Bearcats enter the contest with a 4-4 overall record and a 3-3 mark in MIAA play after dumping Missouri Western 49-26 last week. Northwest Missouri amassed 452 yards rushing and 522 yards overall against the Griffons.

Jon Lantz, Southern head coach, said it was important for the Lions to concentrate on the remaining three regular season contests.

"We have three very tough football games coming up," he said. "It

is important that we focus on our last three games because we still have a very good chance at a playoff berth if we win."

Bud Elliott, Northwest's head coach, said he was impressed with the Lions.

"Missouri Southern is a very explosive offensive team, and they play very good defense," Elliott said. "They change formations a lot and run to the ball very well."

Although the Lions are strong, they are not unbeatable, according to Elliott.

"We thought Missouri Southern was unbeatable in the conference until last Saturday," he said.

Elliott says the keys to the game are basic.

"We have to control the tempo of the game and control the football," he said. "We can't get into an offensive shoot-out with Missouri Southern and expect to win."

Southern enters the contest with a 6-2 mark overall and a 5-1 record



Lions vs. Northwest Mo.
1 p.m. Saturday,
at Maryville

in MIAA play. The Lions lost to Pittsburg State 43-21 Saturday in front of a record crowd of 8,500 in Hughes Stadium. The Gorillas, 6-1-1, benefitted from 10 Lion turnovers to cruise to victory.

"I'm sure it would have been a lot different story had we not been given 10 turnovers," said PSU Coach Chuck Broyles. "They gave us a few early breaks, and we were fortunate enough to take advantage of them."

The Gorillas took an early 7-0 lead on Darren Dawson's 1-yard plunge. They made it 14-0 on another

Dawson 1-yard run, then 20-0 on quarterback Jeff Moreland's 5-yard scramble.

Southern finally got on the board on a 64-yard touchdown pass from Matt Cook to Rod Smith.

PSU added a 24-yard field goal to make it 23-7 at halftime.

"They out executed us in the first half," Lantz said.

"We played a really good first half of football," Broyles said. "That allowed us to get away with a sloppy second half of play."

PSU started the second half with

two more touchdowns, including Dawson's third, to widen the lead to 36-7.

Smith's second and third TD reception closed out Southern's scoring. He finished with nine catches for 179 yards, giving him 46 for 1,064 and 11 touchdowns on the season.

Southern limited PSU's All-American wide receiver, Ronnie West, to three catches for 84 yards and a TD, largely due to the coverage of junior cornerback John Buchanan.



STACY CAMPBELL

Southern must have new arena

Along with the anticipation of the new sports arena, some major obstacles exist.

The most pressing problem, as I see it, is how far away this proposed multi-purpose arena might be. Pessimists say the year 2000 is not out of line.

But one positive aspect of the situation is at least now there is a plan and things seem to be moving forward, even if they are in the smallest of ways. Still, most of Missouri Southern's present students and athletes probably won't ever see the event center, though.

One stumbling block is the source of the \$20 million needed. Pete Ramsour, head of the steering committee, said funding is being sought from a number of sources.

"A combination of large, private donations; smaller donations from the area; some form of taxation from the county, such as a county sales tax; and state funding are all possibilities," he said.

A county-wide effort could take some time, according to College President Julio Leon.

"With the economic state of the area and the recession, we may have to wait for people to be more receptive and more sure of their economic state," he said.

Even if the money was available today, Leon said construction would take at least two years.

"Webster [Communications and Social Science Building] has taken 14 months, and the arena is a bigger thing, so it will take at least 24 months," he said.

One good aspect is that the building can be started before all the money is received.

"The way I understand it is we don't have to have the money in hand, but just a commitment," Ramsour said.

Another problem is the fact the project would be scaled down if funding runs low. Ramsour said the arena itself would not be cut down, though.

"We are not going to start the building and then back down from a 9,000-seat arena to a 5,000-seat arena because that would be defeating our purpose," he said.

Enough of the problems of how this new sports arena is going to become a reality.

The arena can be a great asset to Missouri Southern as a whole (and especially the athletic department) when it is built. Leon said a number of major events could be held at the new facility.

"Obviously, the students would benefit from the different types of events," he said. "The College would be viewed as place of high importance to the whole region as well."

On the athletic side, indoor teams at Southern are having to deal with the lack of practice facilities. According to Sallie Beard, women's athletic director, the arena would help alleviate this problem.

"It will give us the flexibility as far as having more than one place to practice," she said. "Right now, if one team is practicing the rest have to take a number."

The College has 281 athletes competing in 14 sports, and in February all of them are trying to find practice space.

With the new facility, Southern also could move up the ladder in recruiting. With the recent success of the athletic programs, the arena would give the College the added advantage of consistently getting top-caliber athletes.

Beard said Southern teams have a difficult time recruiting against other MIAA schools.

"Right now, we are definitely on an uneven playing field," she said. "It's an uphill battle when recruits see Central Missouri State's, Missouri Western's, Washburn's, and even Pittsburg State's facilities."

"I would say every institution in the MIAA has a better facility than us with the exception of Lincoln."

COMING AT YOU



CHAD HAYWORTH/The Chart

Pittsburg State University's Darren Dawson reaches back for a pitch from Jeff Moreland during Saturday's game. Dawson scored three touchdowns and rushed for 156 yards in PSU's 43-21 Miner's Bowl victory.

Lions continue drought

By CHAD HAYWORTH
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As their season winds down, the soccer Lions are faced with having to win their last two games to finish at the .500 mark.

The Lions, 7-9-2, travel to Jefferson City on Nov. 8 to face Lincoln University. This is the first year of competition for the Blue Tigers.

"Having a nine-day break comes at a good time for us," Coach Scott

Poertner said. "It will give us a chance to heal up a little and possibly finish up stronger."

The Lions will finish out their season Nov. 9 at Northeast Missouri State. Although a win against the Bulldogs would be a bright spot in a disappointing season, Poertner said the team could not afford to overlook its match at Lincoln.

"We have got to get back to playing like we were at the beginning of the season," he said. "We played well

against Northeast last year at home.

"We need to show some patience and not use the long ball as much."

Southern's scoring drought has continued as the Lions dropped three straight games. Saturday, they lost to the University of Southern Indiana, 4-0.

"SIU is a powerful team," Poertner said. "They beat us all over the field."

The Lions fell 2-1 at Kentucky Wesleyan College on Sunday.

"We played much better on Sunday," Poertner said. "But it hurt us when [goalkeeper] Jim Kantola hurt his back."

Poertner said Kantola's injury should not affect his play.

The Lions fell yesterday to Drury College, 2-0. Southern has been outscored 18-3 in its last six games.

"We just haven't scored," Poertner said. "And you can't win without scoring; your defense can carry you only so far."

FIGHTING FOR POSITION



NICK COBLE/The Chart

Missouri Southern's Allen Moss (left) and Curt Rosenbaum (center) try to maneuver past a Northeast Missouri State opponent at the one-mile mark in the MIAA cross country championships Saturday.

(36th, 28:10).

In women's competition, Southern took third overall behind PSU and Northeast Missouri State. CMSU was fourth, followed by Northeast, Missouri-Rolla, and SBU.

"I was pleased with the girls' performance," Rutledge said. "They ran hard and tough."

Stephanie Wigger led the Lady

Lions, finishing fifth at 18:36. She was followed by Brenda Booth (8th, 18:54), Rhonda Cooper (15th, 19:37), Renee Artherton (16th, 19:38), and Debbie Williams (17th, 19:43).

With conference behind them, Rutledge said the pinnacle is yet to come with upcoming regional action and the possibility of competing at the national meet.

"We're going to re-load our guns," he said. "I truly feel that we'll do better in regionals than we did in conference."

The regional meet will be hosted by Southern Illinois University in Edwardsville on Nov. 9. Southern will field a team of seven men and seven women.

Lady Lions beat PSU third time

By STACY CAMPBELL
STAFF WRITER

Coming off a 3-1 win over Pittsburg State University Tuesday, the volleyball team will travel to the Texas Woman's University tournament.

Southern, 24-10, opens play at 1:30 p.m. tomorrow against TWU. At 6 p.m. the Lady Lions will face the University of Nebraska-Omaha.

Saturday, they play Texas Wesleyan at 11:30 a.m. and East Texas State University at 6 p.m.

"It will be good, tough competition," said Debbie Traywick, head coach. "There are some tough teams, and they will get us ready for the conference tournament."

Southern has two weeks to prepare for the MIAA tournament to be held here Nov. 15-16.

After this weekend, the team will travel to Springfield to play Drury College Wednesday. The Lady Lions have defeated Drury twice this season.

Sophomore Sheri Haynes said the Drury match should be tough on and off the court.

"I think it should be a good one," she said. "Here we had the home-team advantage, but down there they will have a big crowd which will be tough on us."

"Not only will we be going at it on the floor, but the crowd will be going at it, too."

Southern will play host to Pittsburg State on Nov. 12 before opening play in the MIAA championships.

Tuesday, Southern traveled to PSU and defeated the Lady Gorillas 15-10, 14-16, 15-13, and 15-13. It was the third time this season the Lady Lions defeated PSU.

Riddle pulls away, wins MIAA

By NICK COBLE
STAFF WRITER

Winning the MIAA was not in the cards for Southern as a tightly packed Central Missouri men's team grabbed the title with 43 points during Saturday's meet.

The Pittsburg State men's team took a close second with 48. Northwest Missouri State took third with 66 points, followed by Southern with 81, Northeast Missouri State, Missouri-Rolla, and Southwest Baptist University.

"The men have the capabilities to do better than they showed," said Southern Coach Tom Rutledge. "We had some who tightened up. Confidence is a big factor, and that comes with experience."

"Effort was not a question; they just need to have confidence in themselves."

Jason Riddle pulled away from the pack past the three-mile mark to win the men's race with a time of 24:52.

Riddle battled with Northwest Missouri's Kenrick Sealy, who ended up second at 25:03, for much of the race. Sensing a last mile surge by Sealy, Riddle took command with about a mile and a half to go.

"I was wanting someone else to set the pace at the beginning," Riddle said.

"Jason got to a position where he knew how much he had left and made a clear and determined move," Rutledge said.

Joe Wood was 13th (26:26), followed by Kern Sorrell (19th, 26:51), Eddie Avelar (20th, 26:52), Allen Moss (25th, 27:16), Jamie Nofsinger (32nd, 27:33), and Curt Rosenbaum

Eerie Experiences

Southern students give true accounts



Student has encounter with Joplin-area witch

By ANGIE STEVENSON
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Could there actually be witches in Joplin?

Kacy Carver, freshman accounting major, is convinced there is at least one. She was working at Wicks 'N' Sticks at Northpark Mall on Oct. 23 when an unusual customer gave her a scare.

"She was short, kind of heavy set, and had long, jet-black hair and long, manicured nails," Carver said. "She wore a white shirt with black pants and black British Knights. She was wearing a crystal around her neck and everything."

"She was kind of different looking, but we're used to seeing that here at the store, so I tried not to think much of it."

Even so, Carver had a difficult time putting the customer out of her mind.

"She reminded me of the witch off of *The Doors* movie," she said. "She didn't look anything like her, but for some reason I just kept on thinking about it."

"I didn't say anything. I just kind of watched her go through the store."

The woman picked up some batchouli oil, which, Carver said, is notorious for its use in witches' brews.

"I asked if she liked batchouli a lot and she said, 'Yes.'"

Carver pointed out four batchouli candles which the store had specially ordered for Halloween. She explained to the woman that the candles were called Witches' Brew because witches used to use batchouli flower blossoms in their cauldrons.

When the woman was gone, Carver "kind of freaked out about it for a while." She went to tell a friend who also works at the mall.

"I said, 'You're never gonna believe what happened to me tonight; it was so weird.' Before I got any fur-

"I knew right then she was a witch, but it wasn't until later that she actually came out and told me."

—Kacy Carver, freshman accounting major

"She had this real glaring stare about her. She looked me straight in the eye, and she says 'I know that,'" Carver said. "I knew right then she was a witch, but it wasn't until later that she actually came out and told me."

The woman told Carver she carries batchouli with her "all the time." Then she pulled out a book on witchcraft which she had specially ordered and just picked up. She recommended that Carver read it. She proceeded to put all of the Witches' Brew candles the store had on layaway, saying she planned to use them during an incantation.

"I just stood there. I was so scared I thought, 'I'd better wait on this person really nicely because if I don't she'll put some curse on me!'"

ther, he said, "I know. She came into my store, too."

Carver is convinced it was not just a hoax.

"She is for real," she said. "She's a real witch and she lives somewhere around here."

Carver will be working again tonight, Halloween evening. She said the prospect of the woman returning to pick up the candles makes her nervous.

"You don't want to piss someone off who plays with black magic," she said. "My theory is this: there is a spiritual world that we will never understand, and I don't think anyone should mess with it."

"I mean, I'm not going to mess with it."

Grandfather's ghost appears in hallway

Student says the house became cold

By ANGIE STEVENSON
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

It was more eerie than anything," Chris Dowdy says about the sighting of his grandfather's ghost.

Dowdy, a sophomore criminal justice major, said the sighting happened in October 1983 when he was 12 years old. His grandfather had died that August.

"I was awakened by a real, real, cold breeze which blew over me in the middle of the night," he said. "I was in my bedroom, which was his bedroom before he died."

The whole house was unusually cold for a Florida October, Dowdy said. He remembers walking toward the living room to see if a window was open or if the air conditioner was on.

"We had a hallway in our house, and at the end of the hallway was where my grandfather's chair was," he said. "It was a recliner that he always sat in."

It was then that Dowdy saw what he believes was his grandfather.

"I saw him sitting in the chair looking down at me and holding out his hands, like he wanted me to come to him," he said. "I just went

The following day he did not tell anyone what had happened.

"I've told people about it since I've gotten older—they laugh, they don't believe me," he said. "I don't believe it myself now. I mean, I believe it and I know it happened, but I just try to ignore it."

Dowdy does not remember being

"The image wasn't like see-through or anything. It looked just like him; just like a live person sitting there. It was kind of eerie because there was just something about it that didn't make me scared."

—Chris Dowdy, junior criminal justice major

back to bed and shut my door, covered my head up, and tried to go back to sleep."

After he went back to his bedroom, Dowdy said the temperature in the house returned to normal.

He remembers the whole experience vividly. "I was awake," he said, "wide awake."

frightened at the sight of his grandfather.

"I wasn't scared at all," he said. "The image wasn't like see-through or anything. It looked just like him, just like a live person sitting there. It was kind of eerie because there was just something about it that didn't make me scared."

UFO sighting remains vivid

Psychic's insight amazes student

By ANGIE STEVENSON
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

There is life on other planets, according to Betsy Clark, who says she saw a UFO.

Clark, a junior graphic communications major, said she remembers the image vividly, although it happened when she was about eight or

ground less than 50 yards in front of her.

"I kind of got an eerie feeling, like someone was watching me. I didn't hear any noises; that's why I thought it was bizarre," Clark said. "It was scary because it was night—it was right at dusk—and I was young. But yet, it was exciting, too."

Clark tried to get the other people in the truck to look at the object.

"I turned around and said, 'Look, I'm seeing a UFO,' and they laughed," she said. "I remember this vaguely,

in the field, even though it didn't look at all like one. But tractors don't disappear; there was nothing there when I turned back around."

Clark said this experience made her believe there is life in other parts of the universe.

"I'm not sure I would have believed otherwise. I might have believed if other people told me. I don't think I've ever talked about it much."

The UFO sighting isn't the only eerie experience Clark has had. She visited a psychic in West Palm Beach, Fla., who she said "was amazing."

"Some of my friends had gone to her and said she was for real, so I thought I'd try it," she said.

Through the use of cards, Clark said the woman correctly described much of her past and present.

"She said I had a hard childhood, and it was really hard. She saw I worked outside, and I am a landscaper."

What really Clark was that the psychic knew her favorite number.

"It's always been 22, ever since I was five years old. She just said it right out of the blue, and that really popped my eyes out of my head."

The woman also made some predictions of a move in two years and wealth. Clark has yet to find out if these will come true, but she said the move is likely as she plans to graduate in two years.

"I kind of got an eerie feeling, like someone was watching me."

—Betsy Clark, graphic communications major

nine years old in Sullivan, Mo.

"I was riding in the back of a pickup, and I looked to the left as we were going down this dirt road to this field," she said. "It was behind some trees. I saw this huge object—it had to be a UFO."

"At first I looked at it for a minute. It had bright lights and was shaped as a sphere—kind of like a half-circle."

Clark described the object as shiny and "big, big—about a couple of stories high." She said the lights were red, green, and yellow; it sat on the

but I remember it real good, too, in a sense. I kept saying 'I see one. I see one.' And I glanced at it again, but they were still laughing."

When they all finally looked, Clark said the UFO had disappeared.

"It happened a lot of years ago, but I'll never forget that," she said. "I really did see it. I don't think my eyes would have played tricks on me like that; not where I can remember it that clearly and so much about it."

"I've gone through every possibility it could be. I thought maybe it was a tractor or something out there

